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I'LL GO! I'LL GO!

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KYOKO-SAN SEEMS TO BE IN REALLY HIGH SPIRITS...?

THE OKITEGAMI DETECTIVE AGENCY WILL BE CLOSED FOR A HOLIDAY THAT DAY!

THE SUNDAY AFTER NEXT, RIGHT?

I'VE ALREADY WRITTEN IT ON MY ARM!

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I WILL DEFINITELY GO!

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UMM, KAKUSHI-DATE-SAN, RIGHT?

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO IT!

G-GREAT!

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THOUGH I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO SEES IT THAT WAY...

A DATE WITH KYOKO-SAN...

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YAKU-SUKE,

HAVE YOU EVER HEARD OF A NOVELIST NAMED SUNAGA HIRUBE?

WELL, LET'S GO BACK IN TIME ONE WEEK EAR-LIER...!!

HOW DID THIS ALL HAPPEN IN THE FIRST PLACE?

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NO, HE'S LIVING A CAREFREE LIFE.

NOT EVERYONE IS LIKE YOU, YOU KNOW.

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KONDOU FUMIFUSA

OF COURSE. HE'S THE BEST OF THE BEST, THE AUTHORITY ON THE MYSTERY GENRE IN JAPAN...

AH!

KONDOU-SAN, DID SUNAGA-SENSEI GET A THREATENING PHONE CALL TOO?!

HE'S VERY PLAYFUL AT HEART,

AND SO HE NEVER HANDS OVER THE MANUSCRIPT DIRECTLY. HE GIVES US HINTS AND MAKES US GO ON TREASURE HUNTS.

HE'S EVEN RESERVED AMUSEMENT PARKS, BASEBALL STADIUMS, AND OVERSEAS CASINOS FOR THAT PURPOSE.

SUNAGA-SENSEI JUST FINISHED WRITING A FULL-LENGTH MYSTERY NOVEL THE OTHER DAY, BUT...

YEAH. THIS TIME IT'S TAKING PLACE AT HIS VILLA.

SO, HE DID IT THIS TIME TOO...?

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AND WE WERE THINKING...

AND SO, WE'VE BEEN ALLOWED TO CALL FOR HELPERS IN THAT GAME.

GULP!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO ALONG WITH OKITEGAMI-SAN?

GOGH!

GEHO!

WHAT IF IT WERE NOT FOR WORK?

HUH?

YAKU-SUKE, I'M SAYING...

DETECTIVE WORK IS KYOKO-SAN'S WHOLE CAREER. I CAN'T JUST ASK HER TO COME SOLVE A RIDDLE FOR A LITTLE GAME...

...THERE'S NO WAY, KONDOU-SAN!

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THANK YOU, KONDOU-SAN...

ALSO, THAT WAS PRETTY CLEVER OF KONDOU-SAN.

HE KNEW THAT KYOKO-SAN WAS A DIE-HARD FAN OF SUNAGA-SENSEI!

AH, EXCUSE ME.

THAT I WANT YOU TO

INVITE KYOKO-SAN ON A DATE.

SUNAGA HIRUBE'S VILLA

YES, THIS IS KAKUSHI-DATE.

YAKUSUKE, SORRY TO BOTHER, BUT ARE YOU ALREADY ON THE TRAIN?

DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?

YES, SOMETHING TERRIBLE.

SUNAGA-SENSEI PASSED AWAY.

LAST NIGHT,

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WAS IT BECAUSE OF MY PREDISPO-SITION FOR MISFOR-TUNE...?

IT CAN'T BE...

SO, ABOUT YOUR PLANS FOR TODAY...

I SEE...

OH, SO IT'S BEEN CANCELED?

HOLD ON, DON'T GET ANY WRONG IDEAS HERE.

NO, I CAN'T HAVE YOU GO HOME YET.

HUH?

HE DIED OF HEART FAILURE IN HIS SLEEP.

WE NEED OKITEGAMI-SAN'S HELP.

I HEARD IT WAS A PEACEFUL DEATH.

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AND THE ONLY ONE WHO KNEW WHERE IT WAS HIDDEN WAS SUNAGA-SENSEI.

THIS PIECE OF WORK THAT SUNAGA-SENSEI JUST FINISHED HAS BECOME A POSTHUMOUS MANUSCRIPT.

I'M SORRY THAT YOUR DATE IS RUINED,

BUT NOW THAT IT'S COME TO THIS, I WOULD LIKE YOU TO FORMALLY SEND THE REQUEST TO OKITEGAMI-SAN.

SO THAT'S WHY YOU NEED KYOKO-SAN...

YES.

CAN YOU RELAY ALL OF THAT TO HER?

WE WILL OF COURSE PAY HER THE USUAL COMPENSATION.

THE REQUEST IS TO FIND SUNAGA HIRUBE'S FINAL MANUSCRIPT.

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WHAT'S UP?

KONDOU-SAN, I HAVE ONE FAVOR TO ASK.

SINCE SHE'S A DIE-HARD FAN, I'M SURE KYOKO-SAN WOULD ACCEPT.

BUT...

KYOKO-SAN'S VOICE AT THAT TIME

I WILL DEFI-NITELY GO!

DEFINITELY SOUNDED LIKE SHE WAS BEAM-ING WITH JOY.

AT LEAST FOR TODAY,

I WOULD LIKE TO HIDE SUNAGA-SENSEI'S DEATH FROM HER.

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BUT IF YOU LIE TO HER AND SHE FINDS OUT LATER THAT'S BEEN MORE SHOCK-

...!

WE'LL SEARCH FOR THE MANUSCRIPT EITHER WAY SO THERE'S NO HARM IN IT BEING

ONCE TOMORROW COMES, SHE WILL FORGET IT ALL.

KYOKO-SAN ONLY HAS "TODAY" IN HER.

THAT'S RIGHT...

THAT'S TRUE. AS LONG AS YOU CAN FIND THE POSTHUMOUS MANUSCRIPT FOR US

AS PUBLISHERS WE WOULD BE ABLE TO PROPERLY ACCOMMODATE SUNAKA-SENSEI FOR ALL HIS WORK UP UNTIL NOW

THOUGH IT WOULD NORMALLY BE CONSIDERED SELFISH AND, OUTRAGING

THAT'S WHY HE WANTS HER TO AT LEAST BE ABLE TO ENJOY THIS ONE DAY

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ALL RIGHT, I UNDERSTAND. I'LL MAKE ARRANGE-MENTS SO THAT SUNAGA-SENSEI'S DEATH IS KEPT SECRET.

...BUT OF COURSE, IT'S REALLY ALL JUST FOR THE SAKE OF BUSINESS ON OUR END.

YOU GUYS ARE DOING THIS FOR A MUCH MORE HONORABLE REASON.

BUT IF THAT'S THE CASE, I CAN ONLY PAY FOR TRAVELING EXPENSES. BECAUSE THIS WILL GO ON WITHOUT THE AC-COUNTING DEPART-MENT.

THANKS, KONDOU-SAN!

I THINK THAT WOULD BE THE BEST REWARD SHE COULD EVER ASK FOR.

PLEASE ALLOW HER TO BE THE FIRST ONE TO READ IT.

I ACTUALLY HAVE A PLAN FOR THAT.

IF KYOKO-SAN FINDS THE MANU-SCRIPT,

OKITE-GAMI-SAN, YAKUSUKE, WELCOME!
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LET'S GET RIGHT DOWN TO IT, SHALL WE? THIS IS A SKETCH OF THE PLACE.
THERE ARE HINTS WRITTEN ON THE BACK OF IT.

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4.

"YOU MIGHT NEED A PENCIL."

THAT'S WHAT WAS WRITTEN THERE.

LOOKS LIKE THE FOURTH HINT WAS BLOCKED BY WHITE-OUT TAPE.

DID HE CHANGE HIS MIND ABOUT IT?

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THE SECOND FLOOR HAS A LIBRARY AND AN A/V ROOM, AND THE FIRST FLOOR HAS PLACES LIKE BEDROOMS...

"MIGHT" ...

MAYBE HE ERASED IT BECAUSE THE HINT WAS TOO AMBIGU-OUS?

WELL, ANYWAY,

NOTHING WILL COME OF THINKING TOO MUCH ABOUT IT.

AND SINCE IT'S A GAME, IT WON'T BE ANY FUN IF WE GET CAUGHT UP IN OUR THOUGHTS.

LET'S SPLIT UP FIRST AND LOOK AROUND THE PLACE FOR NOW!

YEAH...

I THINK THIS MIGHT BE A FACADE, THOUGH...

HER ATTITUDE AND EXPRESSIONS ARE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT THAN WHEN SHE'S WORKING ON A CASE.

...I KIND OF UNDERSTAND HOW YOU FEEL NOW.

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SO I'LL BE EXPLORING THE SECOND FLOOR...

OKAY THEN, I'LL LEAVE THE REST UP TO YOU!

WHOA...

THIS IS AMAZ-ING...

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MAYBE HE BOUND THE MANU-SCRIPT INTO BOOK-FORM AND HID IT AMONGST THE OTHERS...?

...

OH!

THIS SHELF IS FULL OF BOOKS AND WORKS BY SUNAGA-SENSEI.

OR MAYBE HE WROTE IT ALL ON HIS LAPTOP...

KAKUSHI-DATE-SAN, DID YOU FIND IT?

OH, THAT'S RIGHT! THERE WERE ALSO THOSE TIMES WHERE WORK WAS STORED ON THINGS LIKE SD CARDS AND CLOUD ACCOUNTS!

I SHOULD HAVE ASKED KONDOU-SAN ABOUT THAT!

THIS ROOM JUST EMANATES SUNAGA-SENSEI'S AURA!

WOW!

WHAT A MAR-VELOUS ROOM!

OH,

UM...

THEN I WILL JOIN YOU!

OH? IS THAT SO?

UM... SO I HAVEN'T FOUND ANY-THING YET...

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OH,

BY THE WAY, WAS SUNAGA-SENSEI MARRIED?

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HE IS NOT MARRIED. HE LIVES HIS WHOLE LIFE FOR THE SAKE OF HIS WORK, PAINTING HIMSELF INTO THE PERFECT IMAGE OF A NOVELIST THROUGH-AND-THROUGH.

I ALSO GREATLY ADMIRE THAT SIDE OF HIM.

...KAKUSHIDATE-SAN, IT APPEARS YOU KNOW NOTHING ABOUT SUNAGA-SENSEI, NOW DO YOU?

OH, BUT...WOULD YOU HAPPEN TO BE MARRIED, KAKUSHIDATE-SAN?

IF SO, THEN I APOLOGIZE.

NO, I AM SINGLE.

B-BUT MAYBE HE HAD GOTTEN MARRIED JUST RECENTLY OR SOMETHING...

THAT WOULD NEVER HAPPEN TO SUNAGA-SENSEI. SUCH A THING IS UNTHINKABLE.

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OH, NOT AT ALL...

SO I GUESS I WOULD HAVE BEEN RUDE EITHER WAY!

OH MY! IS THAT SO? I APOLOGIZE FOR MY RUDENESS...

IT SOUNDS LIKE YOUR WHOLE LIFE IS DEDICATED TO YOUR WORK, TOO!

WELL, IT JUST SO HAPPENS THAT I'M NOT GOING OUT WITH ANY-ONE CURRENTLY ...

BUT YOU MUST AT THE VERY LEAST HAVE A PERSON YOU'RE GOING OUT WITH, RIGHT?

WON'T THAT PERSON GET MAD IF THEY CATCH YOU OUT ON THIS TRIP WITH ME?

WH-WHAT ABOUT YOU, KYOKO-SAN?

I AM THE SAME.

I DO NOT INTEND TO START A FAMILY IN THIS LIFE-TIME.

BECAUSE EVEN IF I COME TO LOVE SOMEONE, I WILL FORGET THEM IMMEDI-ATELY.

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NO, HE HASN'T CHANGED, HE STILL USES MANUSCRIPT PAPER AND FOUNTAIN PENS.

U-UM, LET'S SEE...

DO YOU THINK SUNAGA-SENSEI WROTE THE MANUSCRIPT ON HIS COM-PUTER?

AH!

I GUESS THE FORM WAS NOT LIMITED TO PAPER AND PEN.

AS LONG AS HE WAS AIMING TO SATISFY WE "READERS,"

THOUGH HE STILL COULD HAVE TRANSFERRED IT OVER TO DIGITAL.

I GUESS THAT HINT WITH THE ANALOGY GIVES US THE MOST INFORMATION.

THIS IS A GAME, AND SUNAGA-SENSEI IS A MYSTERY-GENRE NOVELIST!

SO THE ANSWER SHOULD BE IN A PLACE WHERE WE SHOULD LEAST EXPECT, SO THAT WE BURST OUT AND EXCLAIM, "OH, SO IT WAS OVER THERE! I WOULD HAVE NEVER GUESSED!"

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OH...

WELL, I GUESS YOU COULD LOOK AT IT THAT WAY.

IF HE'S TALKING ABOUT HOW MUCH THERE IS,

THEN DOESN'T THAT MEAN HE DEFINITELY HID IT IN PAPER FORM?!

HINT #1, WHERE HE SAYS IT CAN BE READ IN ABOUT 120 MINUTES?

INDEED,

HOWEVER, I FEEL THAT THOSE PLACES ARE A BIT TOO DANGEROUS FOR A HIDING SPOT.

SO I THOUGHT MAYBE HINT #2, "A DELICATE AREA,"

WAS REFERRING TO A PLACE WHERE WATER IS USED.

WOULD YOU BE PLEASED WITH AN AUTHOR WHO STORES HIS MANUSCRIPTS IN A TOILET TANK?

KAKUSHI-DATE-SAN, THINK, FOR INSTANCE, IF YOU WERE AN EDITOR.

BUT IT WOULD BE REALLY UNEXPECTED, WOULDN'T IT?

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THERE ARE NO REGULAR PENCILS TO BE FOUND, ONLY MECHANICAL PENCILS.

"YOU MIGHT NEED A PENCIL." HM...

BUT...

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SO THEN HINT #3...

3. Do not search for what is there, but instead search for [illegible]

IT PRETTY MUCH TELLS US NOTHING.

EVEN THE ERASED HINT #4 GIVES US MUCH MORE INFORMATION.

I HAVEN'T LOOKED IN THE A/V ROOM YET.

OH!

SO IF IT WAS NOT IN THE LIBRARY, NOR THE A/V ROOM, THEN BY PROCESS OF ELIMINATION, THAT LEAVES...

THIS IS QUITE VEXING.

WAH!!

WHAT?!

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WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN DOING ALL THIS TIME, KAKUSHIDATE-SAN?!

IF YOU LOOK AT ALL FOUR HINTS TOGETHER,

SUNAGA-SENSEI WAS OBVIOUSLY ALLUDING TO THE AV ROOM.

I WONDER WHY KYOKO-SAN HIGHLY SUSPECTS THIS AV ROOM...

OH,

PER-HAPS...

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NO, THAT'S NOT POS-SIBLE.

PERHAPS THE HINT ABOUT READING IT IN 120 MINUTES MEANT THAT YOU COULD READ IT ALOUD IN THAT TIME!

KIND OF LIKE TAKING VOICE NOTES! MAYBE THAT'S IT...

120 MINUTES WOULDN'T BE NEARLY ENOUGH FOR A FULL-LENGTH NOVEL.

AT MOST YOU COULD ONLY FIT ONE SHORT STORY.

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CLOUD?

WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE CLOUDS?

WELL, THEN...MAYBE HE RECORDED A VOICE MESSAGE OF HIS CLOUD ACCOUNT ID AND PASSWORD?

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SHOOT!

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"TODAY'S" KYOKO-SAN DOESN'T REMEMBER THAT CASE, AND IS NOT ALLOWED TO REMEMBER EITHER!

UH, SO CLOUD REFERS TO...

YOU KNOW, FROM THAT LAST CASE...

THAT SOUNDS VERY CONVE-NIENT!

I SEE!

IF THAT WERE THE CASE, THEN THE MANU-SCRIPT WOULD TECHNICALLY BE LOCATED "OUT-SIDE" THE VILLA AS WELL.

THAT WOULD BE FOUL PLAY FOR THIS GAME.

BUT THAT IS ALSO NOT POS-SIBLE.

NO, ACTUALLY, THERE ARE TOO MANY HINTS.

AS A MATTER OF FACT, YOU BROUGHT UP A FINE APPROACH TO THE SOLUTION, KAKUSHIDATE-SAN.

OH, I SEE...

I WONDER IF THERE REALLY IS A SOLUTION TO THIS MYSTERY...

THERE AREN'T ENOUGH HINTS!

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O-OH, REALLY... THAT'S HARD TO BELIEVE!

I'M EVEN QUESTIONING WHETHER THERE REALLY IS A MANUSCRIPT OR NOT—

YOU MIGHT HAVE EVEN BEEN ABLE TO FIND IT ON YOUR OWN.

YES.

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THERE IS, RIGHT HERE.

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A CASSETTE TAPE...?

I CONSIDERED THAT THERE MAY HAVE BEEN ANOTHER HINT ON THE FOURTH HINT.

FOR EXAMPLE, INSTEAD OF WHITE-OUT INK, WHITE-OUT TAPE WAS USED.

W-WAIT A MINUTE!

GAME CLEARED! GOOD WORK!

AREN'T YOU GOING TO EXPLAIN ANYTHING?

IT MAKES SENSE, SINCE THEY'RE BOTH "TAPES."

YOU CAN PUSH THE PENCIL INTO THE WINDER AND ROTATE IT AROUND.

THE HINT THAT "YOU MIGHT NEED A PENCIL"

IS LINKED WITH THE CASSETTE TAPE IN THAT...

LOOK AT THIS. DO YOU SEE WHAT'S MARKED ON HERE?

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THE BIGGEST CLUE WAS HINT #1.

1. Number of pages equivalent to about 120 minutes you can read

SO THEN, YOU BELIEVED THAT HINT #4 WAS ALLUDING TO CASSETTE TAPES,

AND THAT'S WHY YOU THOUGHT THE A/V ROOM WAS THE MOST SUSPICIOUS?

THIS IS THE ONLY CASSETTE TAPE THAT RUNS FOR 120 MINUTES HERE.

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THAT IS WHY WE CAN DEDUCE THAT THIS IS THE MANUSCRIPT WE HAVE BEEN SEARCHING FOR.

NO, NOT AT ALL.

I JUST LINKED IT TO MY DEDUCTION AFTERWARD, LIKE ICING ON THE CAKE.

B-BUT, KYOKO-SAN!

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BUT THIS IS THE PERFECT SIZE TO "STORE" ONE WHOLE NOVEL.
YES, I DID.
YOU SAID THAT A VOICE-RECORDED VERSION WASN'T POSSIBLE!
BECAUSE THIS IS MAGNETIC TAPE.
YOU CAN ACTUALLY STORE DIGITAL DATA ON IT.
120
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IT WAS PROBABLY REFERRING TO THE FRAILTY OF THE TAPE, AS IT DETERIORATES EACH TIME YOU READ IT.

HINT #2 STATED THAT IT WAS IN A "DELICATE PLACE."

OH, SO THAT'S IT!

A 120-MINUTE TAPE CAN STORE ABOUT 500 KILOBYTES ON IT.

AND THAT WOULD BE JUST ENOUGH FOR ONE FAIRLY LENGTHY NOVEL.

BUT SINCE WE DID NOT FIND ONE, THAT IS PROBABLY WHAT HINT #3 WAS REFERRING TO.

AFTER ALL, IF ONE WAS LYING AROUND HERE, I WOULD HAVE SOLVED THE MYSTERY INSTANTLY.

AND IN ORDER TO RECOVER THE INFORMATION ON THIS TAPE, A DATA RECORDER IS NEEDED...

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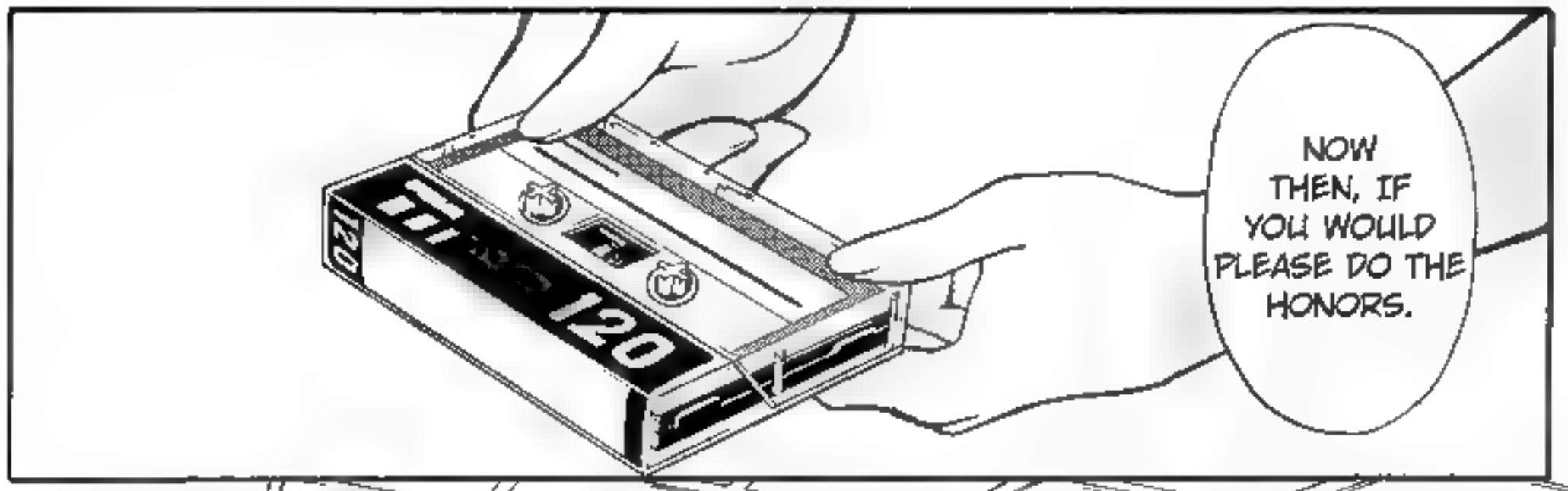
WELL, MY MEMORY ONLY RECOVERS FROM A CERTAIN POINT.

I JUST HAD THE ADVANTAGE THIS TIME BECAUSE I COULD RECALL MY KNOWLEDGE OF CASSETTE TAPES.

AW MAN, I WAS COMPLETELY OFF THE MARK AND JUST DAWDLING IN THE LIBRARY...

AFTER THAT EXPLANATION, IT'S BECOME SO CLEAR WHY IT SHOULD'VE BEEN OBVIOUS THAT THE AV ROOM WAS THE MOST SUSPICIOUS...



YOU PROMISED ME THAT I WOULD BE THE FIRST ONE ALLOWED TO READ IT, CORRECT?
IF YOU SEARCH THROUGH HIS BELONGINGS, YOU WILL PROB-ABLY FIND A DATA RECORDER.

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AH!

...BELONG-INGS?

T/N: THE WORD SHE USED FOR "BELONGINGS" MEANT "ARTICLES OF THE DECEASED."

YOU KNEW THAT SUNAGA-SENSEI HAD PASSED AWAY?

YO...

YOU KNEW?

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THIS IS SUNAGA-SENSEI'S MANUSCRIPT.

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WELL ...

WHAT'S UP, YAKUSUKE? YOU LOOK SO DOWN.

...THANK YOU VERY MUCH...

I HAD INTENDED TO BE CONSIDERATE OF HER FEELINGS, BUT INSTEAD SHE WAS BEING CONSIDERATE OF MINE.

SHE CONTINUED TO PLAY ALONG WITH MY LIES, PRETENDING THAT SHE HAD BEEN FOOLED.

EVEN AFTER KYOKO-SAN REALIZED THAT SUNAGA-SENSEI HAD PASSED AWAY,

NO,

IT SEEMS THAT I ACTUALLY KEPT REFERRING TO SUNAGA-SENSEI WITH PAST TENSE EXPRESSIONS..

SO THEN, OKITEGAMI-SAN SAW RIGHT THROUGH YOUR RUSE FROM THE VERY BEGINNING?

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COME NOW, I BET SHE WAS HAPPY THAT YOU WERE WATCHING OUT FOR HER!

AND NOW I CAN'T EVEN APOLOGIZE FOR THAT ANYMORE.

.....

WELL, IT'S ANOTHER CASE THAT WILL INVOLVE OKITEGAMI-SAN.

I WAS GOING TO ASK IF YOU COULD PUT IN THE REQUEST FOR ME SINCE YOU'RE GOING OVER TO DELIVER THE MANUSCRIPT.

WHAT IS IT THIS TIME, KONDOU-SAN?

DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME, IF IT'S ANOTHER FAVOR, JUST PILE IT ON.

...I GUESS I'D BETTER LEAVE IT AT THAT FOR TODAY.

IN ADDITION TO THE POSTHUMOUS MANUSCRIPT, THE AUTHORITY OF THE MYSTERY GENRE WORLD HAS LEFT ONE MORE HUGE PUZZLE TO SOLVE?!

YEAH. THIS CASE IS, WITHOUT A DOUBT, A JOB FOR A GREAT DETECTIVE.

JOB REQUEST?

IT'S ABOUT SUNAGA-SENSEI.

SUSPICIONS HAVE ARISEN REGARDING HIS DEATH.

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YOU KNEW THAT SUNAGA-SENSEI HAD PASSED AWAY?

AH!

YOU KNEW?

YOU...

THE NEXT STATION IS...

OH, I'VE GOT TO GET OFF...

...I'M NOT FEELING THIS...

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AS FAR AS I KNOW,

KYOKO-SAN IS A PRETTY UNORTHODOX IN HER WAYS AS A DETEC-TIVE.

I DON'T THINK SHE'S REALLY FIT FOR THIS TASK, THOUGH.

THERE ARE SUSPICIONS REGARDING SUNAGA-SENSEI'S DEATH...?

YEP, SO I'D LIKE TO ASK FOR OKITEGAMI-SAN'S ASSIS-TANCE.

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NO,

I BELIEVE SHE'S THE PERFECT PERSON FOR THIS JOB.

BECAUSE SHE IS A FAN OF SUNAGA-SENSEI, AFTER ALL.

OH, OKAY...

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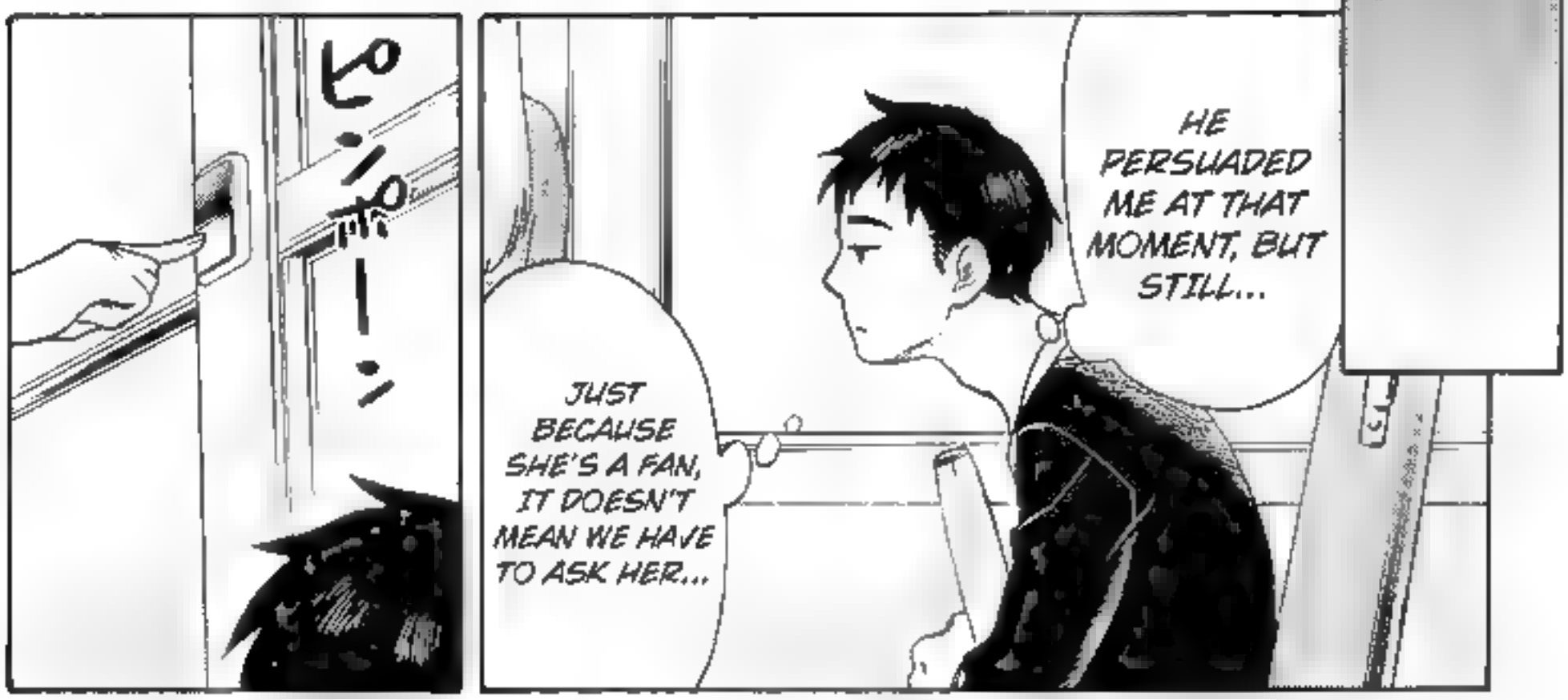

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ALL RIGHT, LET'S DO THIS!

ONE HOUR LATER...

HAA...

HAA...

HAA...

YOU MUST BE KAKUSHIDATE-SAN, CORRECT? MY NAME IS OKITEGAMI KYOKO. IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU!

GOOD JOB! GLAD YOU COULD MAKE IT!

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THE SECURITY CHECK WAS INTENSE, JUST LIKE ALWAYS...

BELONG-INGS WERE CHECKED

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TH—

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

PLEASE HELP YOURSELF. I HOPE IT IS TO YOUR LIKING.

OH, BEFORE THAT...

NOW THEN, KAKUSHI-DATE-SAN,

REGARDING THE WORK REQUEST...

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BLACK HELPS ME STAY WIDE AWAKE...

PLEASE ACCEPT THIS SO WE CAN CLOSE THE CASE.

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YOU'VE PROBABLY FORGOTTEN ABOUT IT ALREADY, BUT IT WAS A PRETTY ATYPICAL JOB.

AND YOU MIGHT ALSO WANT TO CONSIDER IT AS

A SUPPLICATION FOR THE NEXT CASE, BECAUSE IT'S TIED INTO IT.

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THIS IS THE REWARD FROM YOUR LAST CASE.

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...WELL, THERE'S NO WAY I CAN SAY THAT TO HER, SO MY EXPLANATION WILL BE UNCLEAR NO MATTER WHAT...

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THE OTHER DAY YOU WENT ON A DATE WITH ME!

※EXAGGERATING A BIT

WHA—?!

INSIDE THAT ENVELOPE IS SUNAGA HIRUBE'S UNPUBLISHED NOVEL MANUSCRIPT!

AND IT IS NOW CONSIDERED POSTHUMOUS!

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...DIDN'T REALIZE SHE'D HAVE SUCH A REACTION...

I'M SORRY, KYOKO-SAN...

CLACK!

EX-EXCUSE ME, PLEASE WAIT HERE A MOMENT!

FIVE MINUTES LATER

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SO IT IS A POST-HUMOUS MANUSCRIPT OF SUNAGA-SENSEI'S?

THANK YOU FOR WAITING.

N-NO, NOT AT ALL!

IS SOME-THING THE MATTER?

SO CUTE...

IS SHE HIDING HER EMBAR-RASSMENT?

SUDDENLY GETTING STRAIGHT TO THE POINT...

NOW, ABOUT THIS REWARD FROM MY LAST ASSIGNMENT, WOULD YOU TELL ME ABOUT IT IN MORE DETAIL?

YES, OF COURSE.

BUT FIRST, HOW ABOUT WE FINISH IT UP AND CLOSE THE CASE?

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I LEARNED ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED TO SENSEI THROUGH THE MORNING NEWS.

PLEASE ACCEPT THIS.

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YOU MUST'VE DONE A GREAT JOB, PAST "ME!"

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I'M STILL NOT LETTING GO OF IT.

SQUEEZE

OKAY

OH, I SEE.

S-SO, IT'S NOT HIS ACTUAL HAND-WRITING OR ANYTHING,

AND THE REWARD IS SIMPLY ALLOW-ING YOU TO READ IT FIRST BEFORE ANYONE ELSE. I BELIEVE IT WILL BE PUBLISHED EVENTUALLY.

BUT RIGHT NOW WE ARE UNSURE IF THE WORK CAN BE SUCCESSFULLY PUBLISHED IN THE FIRST PLACE.

IT WILL DEPEND HEAVILY ON YOUR WORK IN THIS UPCOMING CASE...

UNDERSTOOD. PLEASE LEAVE IT TO ME.

I WILL COOPERATE AND ASSIST TO THE BEST OF MY ABIL-ITY.

AND THEN I WILL FORGET IT ALL BY TOMORROW.

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SO I ACCEPTED A REQUEST TO SEARCH FOR SUNAGA-SENSEI'S POST-HUMOUS MANUSCRIPT, AND WE WERE ABLE TO SAFELY PROCURE IT, RIGHT?

YES, THAT'S RIGHT.

...HM, I SEE.

BUT THE PAST IS THE PAST.

SOMETHING IS BOTHERING ME ABOUT WHAT YOU ARE TELLING ME...

HMM...

IT ALSO MEANS THAT THE CASE WASN'T REALLY "CLOSED."

SINCE THE LAST CASE IS CONNECTED TO THE NEXT JOB REQUEST,

HOW-EVER,

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MEANING THAT A CRIME MAY HAVE BEEN COMMITTED...

YES.

I WAS TOLD THAT HE PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY,

BUT NOW THERE APPEAR TO BE DOUBTS AND SUSPICIOUS POINTS ABOUT IT.

THE REQUEST ALSO ASKS YOU TO INVESTIGATE THAT POINT AS WELL.

OH NO, HOLD ON!

NOTHING HAS BEEN CONFIRMED YET!

IN OTHER WORDS, HE WAS...

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SO THEY WOULD LIKE ME TO DETERMINE IF SUNAGA-SENSEI HAD COMMITTED AN ACT OF SUICIDE?

FRANKLY SPEAKING, THAT IS A VERY DIFFICULT TASK.

IT SEEMS THAT SUNAGA-SENSEI TOOK SLEEPING MEDICATION AS PART OF HIS ROUTINE.

AND THAT NIGHT, SOMEHOW HE HAD OVER-DOSED...

AND WHAT THE PUBLISHING COMPANY IS REQUESTING OF YOU IS A DIFFERENT APPROACH TO THE INVESTIGATION.

YES, THIS REQUEST WAS MADE WITH THAT POINT WELL IN MIND.

SUNAGA-SENSEI DIED VERY SHORTLY AFTER COMPLETING THAT MANUSCRIPT.

FOLLOWING THAT LOGIC, IF HE ACTUALLY DID COMMIT SUICIDE,

WE'RE THINKING THAT THERE MIGHT BE SOME KIND OF CLUE OR HINT HIDDEN WITHIN THE MANU-SCRIPT...

AT LEAST, THAT'S WHAT WE FIGURE.

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SINCE IT IS ESSENTIALLY A SUICIDE NOTE NOW.

AND SO YOU'RE ASKING ME TO READ IT AND FIGURE IT OUT...

THIS DOESN'T SOUND LIKE SUCH A FUN READ ANY-MORE, NOW DOES IT?

I'M NOT SURE WHAT KIND OF RELATIONSHIP WE HAVE HAD UP UNTIL NOW,

BUT DO YOU REALLY TAKE ME FOR SUCH A GREEDY DETEC-TIVE?

WELL...

IF THAT'S HOW IT IS, THEN THIS WON'T BE ENOUGH.

THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT.

AHH, IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THE COMPENSA-TION,

I BELIEVE THE PUBLISHING COMPANY WILL BE IN TOUCH TO PROPERLY PAY YOU, SO...

A-ALL OF THE OTHER NOVELS?

IF YOU ALL ARE CONSIDERING THIS POSTHUMOUS MANUSCRIPT TO BE A TYPE OF SUICIDE NOTE,

THEN I WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO READ ALL OF THE OTHER NOVELS THAT HAVE LED UP TO THE WRITING OF THIS NOVEL AS WELL.

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BUT EVEN EXCLUDING THE BOOKS YOU ALREADY REMEMBER, YOU CAN'T POSSIBLY READ ALL OF THEM IN ONE DAY...

I-I THINK I CAN,

KAKUSHIDATE-SAN, ARE YOU ABLE TO OBTAIN ALL OF SUNAGA-SENSEI'S OTHER NOVELS?

HUH?

I WON'T EXCLUDE THOSE.

WORKS THAT I'VE FORGOTTEN AS WELL AS WORKS THAT I STILL REMEMBER. I MUSTN'T SHOW NEGLIGENCE, AND I SHOULD READ THEM ALL.

EVEN IF I CANNOT READ IT ALL IN ONE DAY...

BOOKS THAT I COULDN'T READ BECAUSE THEY WERE OUT OF PRINT,

BOOKS THAT I AVOIDED BECAUSE THEY WERE NOT TO MY TASTE,

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I WILL PULL AN ALL-NIGHTER!

IF I'M GOING TO DO IT, THEN I MUST BE THOROUGH!

I GOT IT.

I'LL HAVE EVERYTHING READY BY TOMORROW.

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SO YAKUSUKE, YOU'RE TELLING ME THAT OKITE-GAMI-SAN IS WILLING TO ACCEPT THE REQUEST, RIGHT?

NO, NOT AT ALL! WE'RE THE ONES ASKING FOR SOMETHING SO UNREASON-ABLE...

SORRY ABOUT THIS, KONDOU-SAN, MAKING YOU DO SOME EXTRA WORK.

WELL, YOU KNOW,

IT'S BECAUSE OKITEGAMI-SAN DECIDED TO BECOME A DETECTIVE AFTER SHE READ SUNAGA-SENSEI'S WORKS.

EH?

BUT IT'S A LITTLE UNEX-PECTED.

SHE DOESN'T USUALLY ACCEPT JOBS THAT STRETCH OVER MORE THAN ONE DAY.

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TODAY SHE'S CHARGING UP TO GET READY FOR TOMORROW. SHE DECIDED TO GET STARTED TOMORROW MORNING.

CLOSED

SO, WHAT IS SHE DOING RIGHT NOW?

?

AH!

I MEAN, YOU KNOW, I THOUGHT THAT MIGHT BE THE STORY, SINCE SHE'S A DIE-HARD FAN OF SUNAGA-SENSEI.

SHE REPLIED WITH THAT.

I HAVE A PLAN.

I TALKED TO HER ABOUT THAT TOO, BUT...

I SEE.

STILL, IT'S A FRIGHTENING AMOUNT OF BOOKS ...IS THIS REALLY GOING TO BE POSSIBLE?

SHE SAID IT'S CONFIDENTIAL AND WON'T BE REVEALED UNTIL THE DAY SHE STARTS.

BY THE WAY, KYOKO-SAN ASKED ME SOMETHING...

HUH? WHAT'S THAT MEAN?

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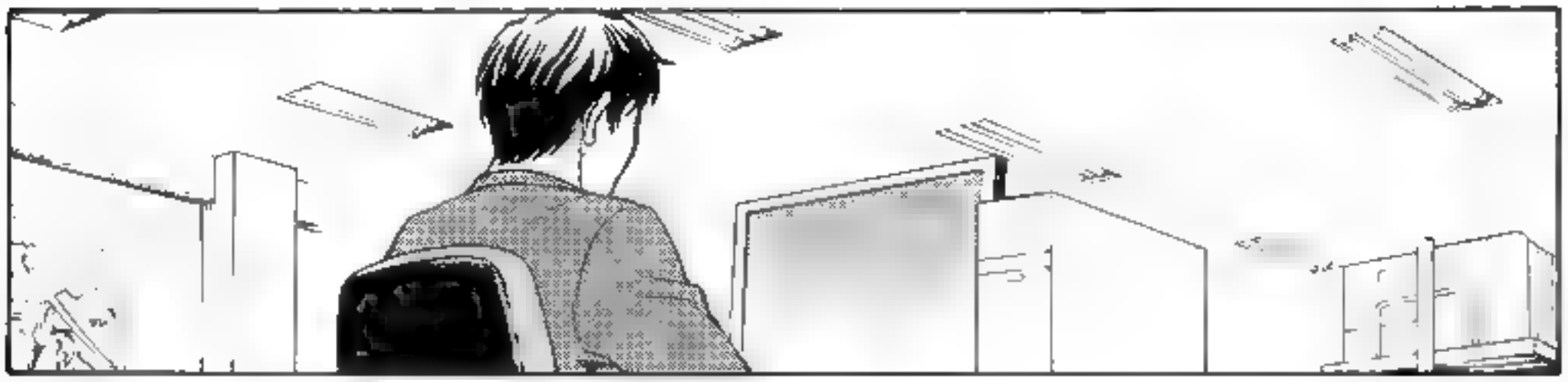
SHE SAID THAT FRANKLY, THE CONCLUSION MIGHT NOT MEET YOUR EXPECTATIONS, OR YOUR PREFERRED SCENARIO.

HYPO-THETICALLY, IF SUNAGA-SENSEI REALLY DID COMMIT SUICIDE,

IS IT ALL RIGHT IF IT REALLY IS VERIFIED TO BE TRUE?



...IF YOU'RE ASKING ABOUT MY PERSONAL FEELINGS ON THIS,

I BELIEVE THAT IF THAT IS THE TRUTH, THEN WE CANNOT AVOID IT.

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THAT'S WHY IF A MOTIVE CAN BE FOUND WITHIN HIS FINAL MANUSCRIPT,

BY ALL MEANS, I WOULD LIKE OKITEGAMI-SAN TO TRY AND FIND IT

AND SUICIDE IS NOT NECESSARILY AS DISHONORABLE TO AN AUTHOR AS YOU GUYS MIGHT BELIEVE IT TO BE.

I UNDERSTAND.

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WE HAVE TO READ ALL OF SUNAGA-SENSEI'S WORKS AS WELL AS THE MANUSCRIPT,

AND TRY AND FIND THAT EVIDENCE.

THAT'S EXACTLY WHY...

BUT AT THE MOMENT, THERE'S NO EVIDENCE TO REJECT THE THEORY.

SUICIDE DOESN'T HAVE TO BE DISHONORABLE...?

THE NEXT DAY

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OHO!

82 FULL-LENGTH NOVELS AND 17 COLLECTIONS OF SHORT STORIES, SO A TOTAL OF 99 BOOKS...

PLUS ONE MORE,

RIGHT?

PERHAPS WITH THE COMPLETION OF THE HUNDREDTH BOOK, HE HAD FINALLY FULFILLED HIS LIFE-LONG DESIRE...

IT MIGHT NOT BE A COINCIDENCE.

100 BOOKS...

I'M SURE IT'S JUST A COINCIDENCE, BUT WHAT A CLEAN NUMBER TO END ON!

HMM...

THEN MAYBE HE FULFILLED HIS LIFE-LONG DESIRE BY COMPLETING HIS ONE TRUE MASTERPIECE AFTER MANY LONG YEARS OF WRITING IT?

IF THEY WERE ALL FULL-LENGTH NOVELS, THEN IT WOULD BELIEVABLE, BUT THERE ARE ALSO 17 COLLECTIONS OF SHORT STORIES.

I SEE...

BUT NOT REALLY.

SO THAT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TOO!

OHO!

BG TEXT: NOT JUST PRODUCTIVE, BUT RAMPANTLY WRITING!

SUNAGA-SENSEI WAS NOT THE TYPE OF NOVELIST TO ACT IN SUCH A WAY. THAT WOULD BE MORE OF AN ARTIST'S MINDSET.

I FIND IT VERY HARD TO BELIEVE THAT HE SOUGHT SUCH AN EXTREME ENDING.

I DON'T THINK THAT'S IT EITHER.

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IT WAS A PIECE TYPICAL OF SUNAGA HIRUBE. A PIECE YOU CAN ENJOY AND THEN EXCITES YOU FOR THE NEXT INSTALLMENT.

HOW-EVER,

THE MEANING OF THE TEXT AND READING EXPERI-ENCE MAY CHANGE IF I REREAD IT AFTER FINISHING THE OTHER 99 BOOKS...

ALSO, THIS MORNING I READ HIS FINAL WORK.

BUT HONESTLY, IT DIDN'T SEEM LIKE IT WAS WORTH TRAD-ING HIS LIFE OVER.

OH,

IF THAT'S THE CASE, KONDOU-SAN THOUGHT PRETTY FAR IN ADVANCE.

FIRST LET'S LINE THEM UP, ROUGHLY IN ORDER.

HE PREPARED THIS LIST.

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72	Against Heavy Odds	32	4 / 18
73	Evidence of Movement		8 / 4
74	And a 1, 2 Violent Death	33	7 / 1
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76	Rear-View Mirror		12 / 17
77	Unnoticed Crime	34	1 / 9
78	I Avoid Trouble At All Costs		1 / 3
79	Green Boy		2 / 3
80	Understood	35	6 / 19
81	The Suspect's Fangroup		10 / 8
82	Brightness Killer	36	1 / 31
83	The Biological Parents of the Retired Inspector		5 / 26
84	The Cell Phone Detective	37	3 / 22
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86	Steal the Blue	38	9 / 10
87	Traitorous Red		12 / 10
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90	The Villain's Share		9 / 14
91	They Call Me a Killer	4	1 / 27
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96	But, Endou...		11 / 2
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AS EXPECTED OF KONDOU-SAN...

Y- YES, ALL RIGHT.

MANY THANKS! PLEASE RELAY MY GRATITUDE TO THIS KONDOU-SAN PERSON AS WELL!

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I CAN USE THIS TO PREDICT THE FUTURE OF HIS COMPLETE WORKS.

FROM HIS FIRST YEAR ALL THE WAY TO HIS 45TH YEAR...

ABOVE THE DATE OF PUBLICATION, IT SEEMS HE ALSO PUT THE YEAR NUMBER RELATED TO SUNAGA-SENSEI'S CAREER.

HE HAD YET TO WRITE IT DOWN.

SUNAGA-SENSEI WAS THE TYPE TO LEAVE THE TITLE FOR LAST.

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ALL THAT'S LEFT IS TO ADD THE FINAL NOVEL.

WHAT WAS THE TITLE?

IT WOULD BE "THE COB OF THE CORN."

YES, SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

I SEE...

BUT FOR ARGUMENT'S SAKE, IF I WERE TO GIVE IT A TITLE,

B-BUT THAT WOULD TROUBLE ME GREATLY!

YOU DIDN'T HEAR ANY-THING FROM ME YESTER-DAY?

HEAR SOME-THING? ABOUT WHAT?

WELL THEN, I THINK I SHOULD BE OFF.

EH?!

OH, I SEE!

I MUST HAVE KEPT QUIET BECAUSE OF MY STRICT ADHERENCE TO CONFIDENTIAL-ITY!

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I HAVE IT WRITTEN DOWN TO THE LAST DETAIL RIGHT AROUND THIS AREA SO THAT I'LL SEE IT RIGHT AS I WAKE UP.

OH, RIGHT. YOU SAID YOU HAD A PLAN OF SOME SORT...

YES.

BUT I WILL NOT FORCE YOU.

IF YOU DON'T WANT TO, THEN I WILL GO ASK THAT KONDOU-SAN PERSON...

GIANT PERSON...

I'LL PAY YOU BY THE DAY, OF COURSE.

If you find yourself wanting to fall asleep get Kakusmidate Yakusuke-san (giant person) to come wake you up

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I WILL ASSIST YOU— NO, PLEASE ALLOW ME TO ASSIST YOU!

NOT KONDOU-SAN, BUT ME!

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THIS HELPS A LOT! I'M SO GLAD!

NOW THEN, LET US COMPLETE THE CONTRACT FOR EMPLOY-MENT...

OH!

BUT I DIDN'T BRING MY STAMP SEAL...

PLEASE WRITE A FEW LINES

OF YOUR CONTRACT VOW RIGHT HERE.

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NO, INSTEAD OF THAT

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SQUEAK!

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I, KARUSHIVATE TAKUSUKE, AGREE TO EMPLOYMENT AT THE OKITEGAMI DETECTIVE AGENCY AS A TEMPORARY STAFF MEMBER. DURING EMPLOYMENT, I VOW TO SERVE THE ROLE OF WAKING UP THE AGENCY PRESIDENT, MY SUPERIOR, OKITEGAMI, KYOKO.

I WILL NOW START.

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WELL, I WOULDN'T KNOW IF IT WERE CLICHE OR NOT...

OH!

IT'S QUITE A CLICHE STORY, BUT "WRITHING GOD" WAS MY FIRST.

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I WATCHED THE MOVIE FIRST BEFORE I READ IT.

THAT REMINDS ME, IT'S BEEN MADE INTO A DRAMA AND MOVIE.

WHICH WAS THE FIRST BOOK YOU EVER READ OF HIS?

I'M STUCK AROUND THAT POINT IN TIME.

I PRETTY MUCH USE ANYTHING I CAN THAT I CAN GATHER FROM THAT TIMESPAN...

WH-WHY DO YOU LIKE SUNAGA-SENSEI'S WORKS SO MUCH?

THE PRECIOUS "PAST" THAT KYOKO-SAN CAN REMEMBER...

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THE REASON IS CLEAR AS DAY.

IT IS BECAUSE SUNAGA-SENSEI IS ALWAYS FACING LIFE STRAIGHT ON.

THE TEENAGE ME WAS HEAVILY CHARMED BY THAT SORT OF LITERARY STYLE.

HOWEVER, HE NEVER TREATS LIFE IN ANY CRUDE MANNER. NEVER.

LIFE...?

IT IS TRUE THAT BECAUSE HE IS A WRITER OF MYSTERIES AND CRIMES, PEOPLE DIE LEFT AND RIGHT IN HIS STORIES.

EVEN IF HE USED A REAL PERSON FROM HISTORY WHO ENDED THEIR LIFE IN SUICIDE, HE WOULD STILL NEVER MENTION THE TOPIC.

AS FAR AS I KNOW,

NONE OF THE DEATHS IN SUNAGA-SENSEI'S WORKS HAVE EVER BEEN SUICIDES.

IT WAS AS IF HE WERE AVOIDING THE WORD "SUICIDE" ITSELF.

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I FINISHED READING THE FIRST BOOK.

I MADE PROGRESS THANKS TO THAT.

DID I TALK TOO MUCH? SORRY ABOUT THAT.

OH, TAKING A BREAK?

NOT AT ALL.

IT WON'T GO NEARLY AS FAST WITH BOOKS I HAVEN'T READ, OR WITH BOOKS I HAVE FORGOTTEN.

WELL, THIS WAS A BOOK THAT I HAD READ MANY TIMES IN THE PAST.

ALREADY?!

IT HASN'T EVEN BEEN ONE HOUR!

99 BOOKS LEFT.

ALL RIGHT, NOW...

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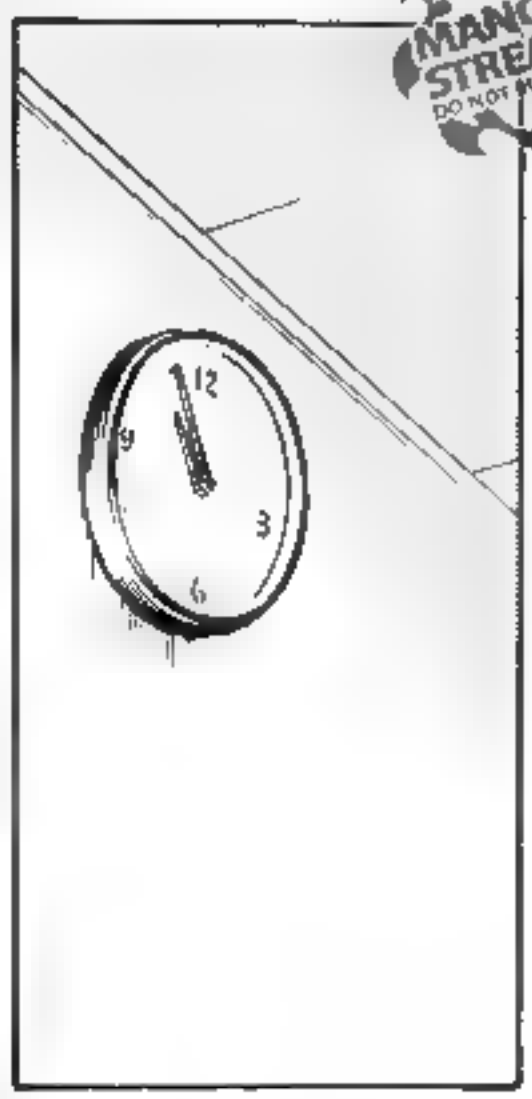

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AHH, THAT'S SOMETHING THAT ONLY A NOVICE FAN OF SUNAGA-SENSEI'S WOULD SAY.

SHE'S RIGHT, IT'S HAPPENED ABOUT TWO TIMES...

IT'S NOT A STRANGE OCCURRENCE AT ALL.

IT HAS ACTUALLY HAPPENED MANY TIMES IN THE PAST, AND FANS WOULD ALWAYS FUSS AND FRET OVER IT.

AND I REALIZED THAT FOR THE PAST FEW YEARS, HE HADN'T BEGUN ANY NEW SERIES, BUT HAD BEEN FINISHING ONGOING SERIES ONE-BY-ONE!

THIS MOST CERTAINLY FEELS LIKE HE WAS TRYING TO BRING HIS WRITING CAREER TO A CLOSE...

WAS THAT MANUSCRIPT A PART OF A NEW SERIES?

NO, IT WAS A STANDALONE NOVEL.

"STAND-ALONE?"

OHH, IT'S A BOOK THAT IS NOT PART OF A SERIES AND REACHES ITS CONCLUSION IN ONE SINGLE VOLUME, RIGHT?

YES, THAT'S RIGHT.

HIS DEBUT NOVEL, MURDER AT THE BOTTOM OF THE RIVER, IS A GOOD EXAMPLE.

AND THIS CLEANSING IDEA NOT ONLY APPLIES TO THE READERS, BUT ALSO TO THE WRITERS.

THIS VIEW OF STAND-ALONES IS HELD BY MANY.

EXCLUDING MURDER AT THE BOTTOM OF THE RIVER, EVEN THE FANS GENERALLY CONSIDER STAND-ALONES TO BE PALATE CLEANSERS.

AND ALSO...

THEY JUST SEEM COMPLETELY POSSESSED BY SOMETHING TO GO TO THAT EXTENT.

TO CONTINUE WRITING NOVELS EVEN WITHOUT BREAKS.

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I'M GETTING THE SAME INSANE VIBE FROM KYOKO-SAN.

FROM THE GREAT DETECTIVE WHO IS ATTEMPTING TO READ 100 NOVELS WITHOUT EVEN A WINK OF SLEEP...

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KYOKO-SAN,
WHAT LED TO YOUR DECISION TO BECOME A DETECTIVE?
NO MATTER WHAT JOB I FIND, I CAN'T SEEM TO FIT IN OR GET USED TO IT...
THINKING ABOUT STAYING IN THE SAME CAREER FOR MY ENTIRE LIFE MAKES ME FEEL UNSURE AND DOUBTFUL, AND THEN I CONTINUE TO HESITATE.
OH, I MEAN,
YOU KNOW, I'M IN THE MIDDLE OF SEEKING EMPLOYMENT, SO I JUST...
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I AM NOT QUITE SURE WHAT KIND OF SITUATION YOU ARE IN, KAKU-SHIDATE-SAN, BUT...
AS FOR THE REASON WHY I BECAME A DETECTIVE...

THERE IS NONE.

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THIS IS GETTING PRETTY TOUGH, BUT THAT'S TO BE EXPECTED ...

PLEASE DO YOUR BEST!

NO, I SHOULDN'T BE COMPLAINING. KYOKO-SAN MUST BE SUFFERING MUCH MORE THAN ME, BOTH MENTALLY AND PHYSICALLY.

THREE DAYS LATER.

UM, EXCUSE ME, BUT I'M ALREADY DOING MY BEST?

DID I LOOK LIKE I WASN'T?

AND HOW TERRIFYING IT COULD BE.

THIS IS WHERE I BEGAN TO REALIZE THE TRUE FORM OF THE TASK I HAD BEEN ENTRUSTED WITH.

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The Memorandum of Kyoko Okitegami

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CASE: KAKUSHIDATE YAKUSUKE 5

ENJOYING THE RICHNESS OF READING ON THIS UNIQUE ONE-OF-A-KIND DAY CALLED "TODAY."

BUT ONE CAN ONLY READ SO MUCH UNTIL...

EXCELLENT RECEPTION FOR THE FIRST VOLUME! NOW IN STORES!

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IN ORDER TO FIND OUT IF SUNAGA HIRUBE-SENSEI'S DEATH WAS INDEED A SUICIDE,

SHE IS TRYING TO ASCERTAIN THE TRUTH BY DOING THIS.

KYOKO-SAN DECIDED TO PULL AN ALL-NIGHTER AND READ ALL 99 OF HIS WORKS FROM START TO END.

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I WILL MAKE SOME COFFEE

PLEASE DO YOUR BEST.

YES, I WILL.

I GUESS READING CAN TIRE ME OUT MUCH MORE THAN I ORIGINALLY THOUGHT. AHAHA...

THANK YOU.

AH!

KYOKO-SAN!

BY THE THIRD DAY...

HOWEVER,

WE WERE STILL CALM AND RELAXED AT THAT POINT.

UM, EXCUSE ME, BUT I'M ALREADY DOING MY BEST?

DID I LOOK LIKE I WASN'T?

AGH...

P...

PLEASE DO YOUR BEST...

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I WILL DO MY BEST IN MY OWN WAY.

JUST AS YOU WISHED.

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KYOKO-SAN'S SMILE HAS COMPLETELY DISAPPEARED, AND HER MOOD HAS TAKEN A TURN FOR THE WORSE.

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HERE YOU GO.

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THANKS FOR THE MEAL.

THIS HELLISH JOB MAKES ME...

I KNOW IT'S FOR THE SAKE OF KEEPING HER AWAKE, BUT...

COUGH COUGH COUGH

URGH

COUGH

IT MAKES ME FEEL LIKE A TORTURER WITH HER AS MY VICTIM!

BUT THE REAL PROBLEM IS THAT...

KAKUSHI-DATE-SAN.

I CAN STILL HANDLE BEING HATED.

SQUEAK!

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MY COFFEE CUP.

IT'S EMPTY.

QUITE THOUGHT-LESS OF YOU.

REALLY HATE KYOKO-SAN.

I AM STARTING TO...

I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M GETTING IRRITATED WITH KYOKO-SAN...

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I DIDN'T REALIZE THAT LOSS OF SLEEP WOULD ROB SOMEONE OF THEIR RIGHT MIND TO THIS EXTENT...

IF SHE WERE HER NORMAL SELF, SHE WOULD NEVER SAY LINES LIKE THAT LAST ONE.

I KNOW THAT, BUT STILL...

KAKUSHI-DATE-SAN.

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COULD YOU PINCH ME PLEASE?

HUH?

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I HAVE BEEN DISPLAYING A GREEDY AND DISRESPECTFUL ATTITUDE TOWARDS YOU, EVEN THOUGH YOU HAVE BEEN GRACIOUSLY ASSISTING ME.

THIS IS ALSO CONSIDERED A PUNISHMENT FOR MYSELF.

IF I DON'T OVERCOME THIS SLEEPINESS, ALL MY WORK UP UNTIL NOW WILL BE FOR NYAUGHT!

HURRY AND DO IT, PLEASE.

SHE'S STARTING TO PRONOUNCE THE 'NA' SYLLABLE STRANGELY...

I GUESS SHE'S REACHED THE PEAK OF HER EXHAUSTION.

T/N. THE 'NA' IS TURNING INTO 'NYA' AS SHE SLURS.

ALL...

ALL RIGHT THEN...

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SO...

SO SOFT...

DUFU-AHH!

PLEABE STAY LIGE DAT FOR A MINUDE.

ALL RIGHT...

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FIFTH DAY

I THINK THERE ARE ABOUT 10 BOOKS LEFT...?

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I'LL EXPLAIN EVERYTHING TO KONDOU-SAN, SO LET'S STOP, ALL RIGHT?

LET'S JUST STOP THIS ALREADY, KYOKO-SAN.

THIS WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO BEGIN WITH.

YOUR HEAD MUST BE SPINNING ALREADY!

BUT YOU'D ALSO HAVE TO MAKE DEDUCTIONS EVEN AFTER READING THEM ALL!

I CAN'T... DO DAT...

I WON'T ALLOW IT...

ONCE I'VE ACCEPTED A JOB,

I WILL SEE IT THROUGH UNTIL THE END.

I DO... HAVE SOME THEORIES...

HOW RUDE...

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...JUST SO YOU KNOW, THE ROOM IN THE BACK IS MY BEDROOM.

I WILL GO TAKE A SHOWER...

PLEASE DO NOT GO IN THERE, UNDERSTAND?

PLEASE PREPARE DINNER. OH, IS IT DINNER? OR BREAK-FAST?

ADD AN INCREDIBLY SPICY FLAVOR TO IT THAT WILL KEEP HER WIDE AWAKE, SHE SAYS...

BUT IT WAS ALREADY SPICY, YA KNOW...

NOW I JUST HAVE TO WAIT FOR KYOKO-SAN TO COME BACK...

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WAS I ASLEEP ?!

FOR HOW LONG?!

HAA!

WHAT?!

KYOKO-SAN...!

THE BATHROOM IS ON THE THIRD FLOOR...

EXCUSE ME!

IT'S STRANGE THAT SHE'D BE IN THERE FOR SO LONG...

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KYOKO-SAN!

SO COLD!

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KYOKO-SAN! PLEASE, HANG IN THERE!

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OH, SHE'S JUST SLEEPING...

THANK GOOD-NESS...

BG TEXT: NAKED NEXT TO A MAN SHE DOESN'T KNOW (GIANT)

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I HAVE TO HURRY AND WAKE HER UP AND GIVE HER CLOTH...

OH WAIT, BUT IF SHE WAKES UP WITH NO MEMORY, THEN...

ON TOP OF THAT...

SHE'D DEFINITELY DIE FROM THE SHOCK...

SHE'S NAKED!!

FIRST I HAVE TO DRY HER.

IN THIS CASE, I SHOULD JUST LET HER SLEEP SOUNDLY AND COMFORTABLY.

SHE CAN'T REGAIN THE MEMORIES SHE'S LOST.

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HM?

THIS ISN'T THE TIME TO BE THINK-ING ABOUT THAT!

I HAVE TO HURRY AND WIPE HER DRY!

WHAT IS THE RELEASE DATE FOR "THE COB OF THE CORN?"

What is the release date for The Cob of the Corn?

WHEN DID SHE GET THE CHANCE TO...

AND I THOUGHT IT WAS A RULE OF HERS TO NOT TAKE MEMOS WHEN SHE'S IN THE MIDDLE OF A CASE...

THAT'S THE TITLE THAT KYOKO-SAN CAME UP WITH FOR SUNAGA-SENSEI'S MANUSCRIPT.

T/N: HER LAST NAME IS A HOMOPHONE FOR THE TITLE'S "OKITEGAMI" THAT MEANS "MEMORANDUM"

A MEMORANDUM LEFT FROM HER CURRENT SELF TO GIVE TO HER NEXT DAY'S SELF...

IS IT A HINT TO SOLVING THE CASE...?

ALL RIGHTY! I'VE DRIED HER OFF FOR THE MOST PART.

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SO LIGHT...

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BUT NOW I SEE THAT I GREW THIS BIG SO THAT I WOULD BE ABLE TO HELP THE PEOPLE THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO ME.

I'VE BEEN SO MUCH MORE RELIANT ON THIS SMALL, PETITE GIRL UP TO NOW...

AND ALSO,

THIS GIANT BODY WAS NEVER GOOD FOR ANYTHING. PEOPLE JUST FEARED ME, AND I ALWAYS STUCK OUT LIKE A SORE THUMB.

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I HAVE TO HURRY AND LET KYOKO-SAN REST.

I BELIEVE THE BEDROOM WAS...

FURTHER BEHIND THE PARLOR...

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AH!

OH YEAH, SHE TOLD ME NOT TO ENTER THE BEDROOM...

HMM?

I THOUGHT SHE SAID THAT BECAUSE HER ROOM WAS MESSY OR SOMETHING, BUT IT'S ALL NEAT AND TIDY HERE.

HER COMPLEX-ION HAS RECOVERED A BIT.

GOTTA MAKE SURE SHE'S ALL DRY...

LOOKS LIKE WE'VE MADE IT PAST THE WORST...

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THAT'S THE KIND OF PATH SHE WALKS...

UNSTABLE, AND UNRE-LIABLE.

SO FRAGILE.

...NO, THE MOST TROUBLESOME PART IS STILL YET TO COME.

SHE HAS FORGOTTEN EVERY-THING NOW.

"THE FASTEST DETEC-TIVE."

"THE FORGETFUL DETECTIVE."

KYOKO-SAN ONLY HAS "TODAY."

WHAT A STUPID QUES-TION!

IT'S HER LIFELINE, OKITEGAMI! KYOKO WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO KEEP LIVING ON IF IT WEREN'T FOR HER DETECTIVE WORK.

"WHAT LED TO YOUR DECISION TO BECOME A DETECTIVE?"

RIGHT NOW... IF SHE OPENS HER EYES RIGHT THIS SECOND,

KYOKO-SAN WOULD GET RIGHT TO WORK AGAIN.

SHE'D TRY TO READ 100 BOOKS, EXHAUST HERSELF COMPLETELY,

PASS OUT,

AND THEN FORGET IT ALL AGAIN.

BUT HOW AM I GOING TO PERSUADE HER? I DON'T HOLD MUCH AUTHORITY...

IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR HER TO DROP THIS JOB REQUEST.

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THERE'S STILL ONE THING THAT I CAN DO FOR KYOKO-SAN'S SAKE.

EVEN THOUGH I'M PRETTY POWERLESS,

THERE'S ONLY ONE THING...

AND IF I'M GOING TO DO IT, THEN I MUST BE THOROUGH.

I MUST BECOME THE CRIMINAL.

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I'LL START WITH THAT.

MY OWN HAND-WRITTEN CONTRACT.

EMPLOYMENT AT THE [illegible], AGREE TO
A TEMPORARY STAFF MEMBER DURING EMPLOYMENT
, VOW TO SERVE THE ROLE OF WAKING UP THE
AGENCY PRESIDENT, MY SUPERIOR OKITEGAMI KYOKO

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NOW I WILL CEASE TO EXIST ON KYOKO'S RIGHT ARM.

IT DISAP-PEARED, JUST LIKE THAT!

...HAHA!

ALL RIGHT, NEXT IS HER ABDOMEN...

OH!

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...DONE.

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My name is Oki
25 years old
Head of the Okitegami Detective Agency
White hair wears glasses.

I WONDER IF IT'S OKAY TO ERASE HER NAME ...

BUT IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S IN A DIFFERENT PLACE THAN WHEN I LAST SAW IT, SO MAYBE IT'S OKAY?

Details on this job it concerns Suruga Hiroshi-sensei. Very important and a...

THE MOST IMPORTANT PART THAT I NEED HER TO FORGET.

THE MESSAGE FROM THE PAST.

NEXT IS...

AH!

I'LL MAKE IT SO THAT KYOKO-SAN NEVER ACCEPTED THIS JOB REQUEST.

THAT WAY SHE DOESN'T HAVE TO PUSH HERSELF TO EXHAUSTION LIKE THAT.

HAHA...

AS I WIPE AWAY THIS INK,

IT FEELS LIKE I'M ALSO WIPING AWAY MY EXISTENCE, LIKE MAGIC.

What is the release date for "The Cob of the Corn?"

THAT WAS CLOSE ...I ALMOST FORGOT ABOUT IT...

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WHOA!

ARGH! I'LL JUST PICK A RANDOM ONE!

WHICH ONE SHOULD I CHOOSE...

...OKAY, NEXT IS CLOTH-ING...

...EXCUSE ME AND MY ACTIONS, KYOKO-SAN!

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ALL FINISHED!
THE CLEAN-UP IN THE BEDROOM IS DONE
NEXT IS...
I'M ALREADY TIRED AFTER STAYING UP FOR 4 NIGHTS SO THAT WAS REALLY TOUGH

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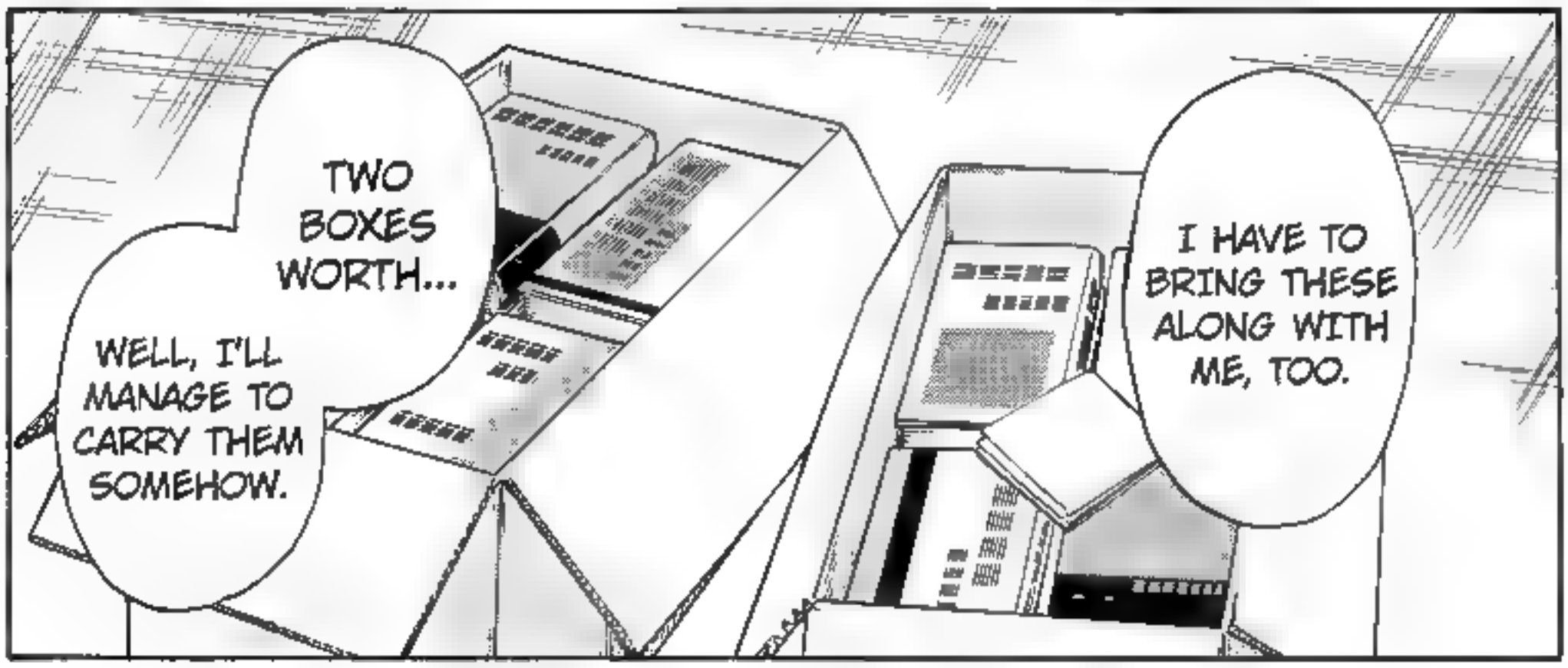

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THE LAST THING IS RETURNING THE TOWEL TO THE BATH-ROOM...

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MY JACKET!

I FORGOT THAT I TOOK IT OFF BECAUSE IT GOT ALL WET WHEN I CAME TO HELP KYOKO!

THAT WAS A CLOSE ONE...

GAH, ONLY HALF-DRY...

AS A CRIMINAL, THE NEXT LOGICAL STEP WOULD BE TO 'ESCAPE.'

BUT BEFORE THAT, JUST ONE LAST LOOK...

ALL RIGHT, NOW THEN...

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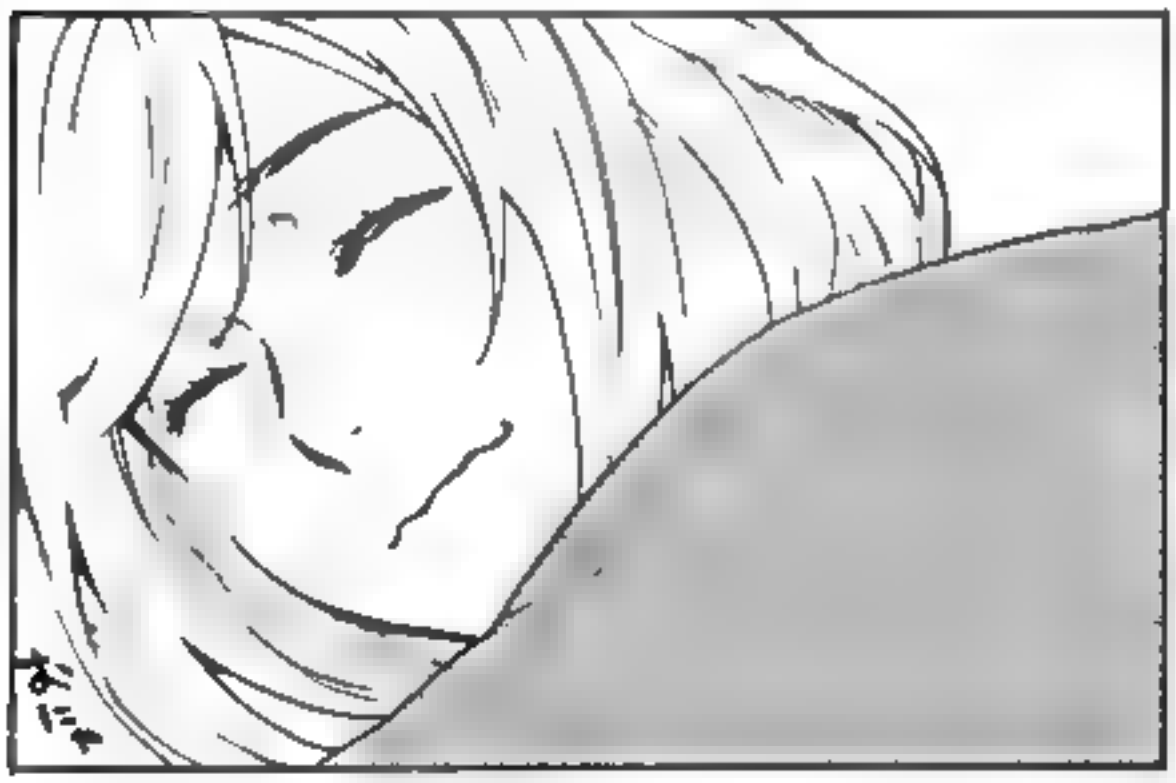
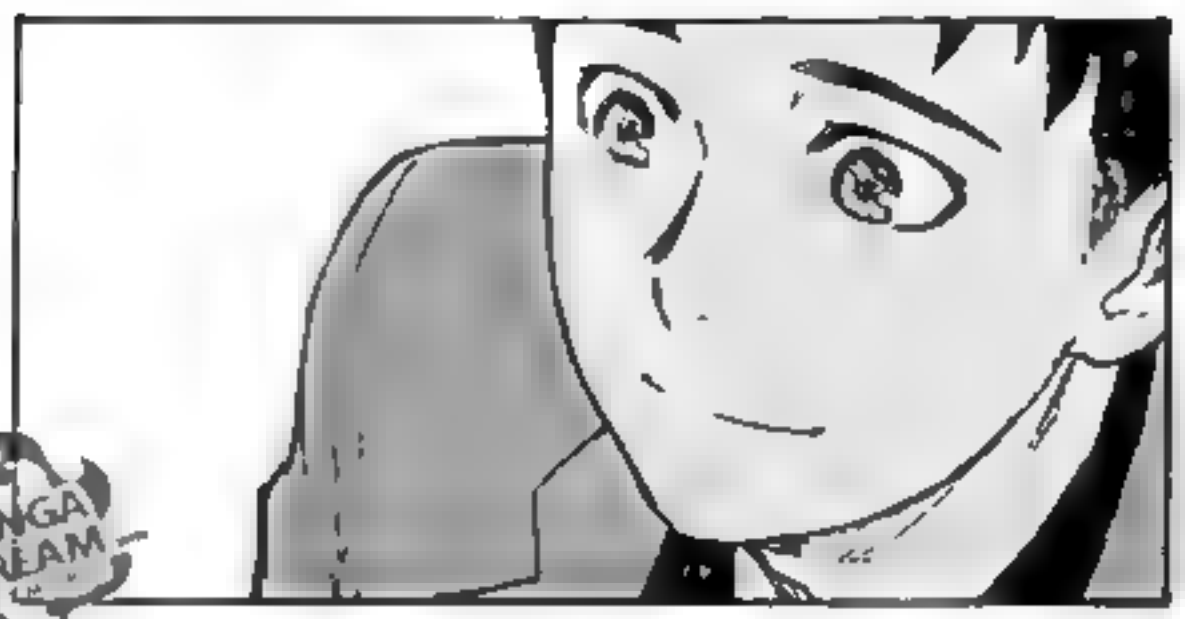
HAHA!
SHE SUR-PRISINGLY HAS POOR SLEEPING POSTURE!



YOU'LL CATCH COLD, YOU KNOW?



...NOW THAT I'M A TRAITOR, I'VE LOST ALL RIGHT TO ASK FOR YOUR HELP.

GOODBYE, KYOKO-SAN.

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OH,

I SHOULD TURN ON THE AIR CONDI-TIONER.

BEEP! BEEP!

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WHICH DIRECTION IS THE AIR BLOWING...

FROM THIS DAY FORTH,
YOU SHALL BE KNOWN AS
OKITEGAMI KYOKO, AND
YOU SHALL LIVE YOUR
LIFE AS A DETECTIVE.

AS FOR THE REASON WHY I BECAME A DETECTIVE...

THERE IS NONE.

TO BE CONTINUED...

KYOKO-SAN'S SECRET...

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The Memorandum of Kyoko Okitegami

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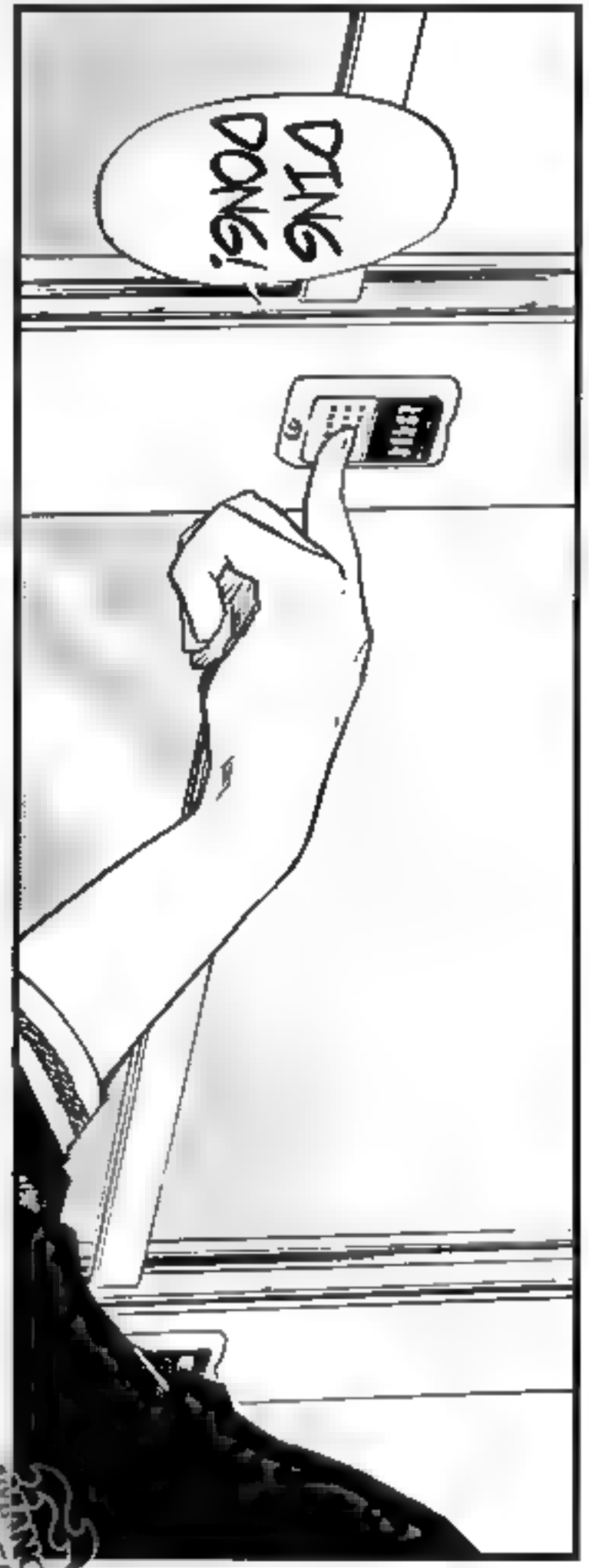
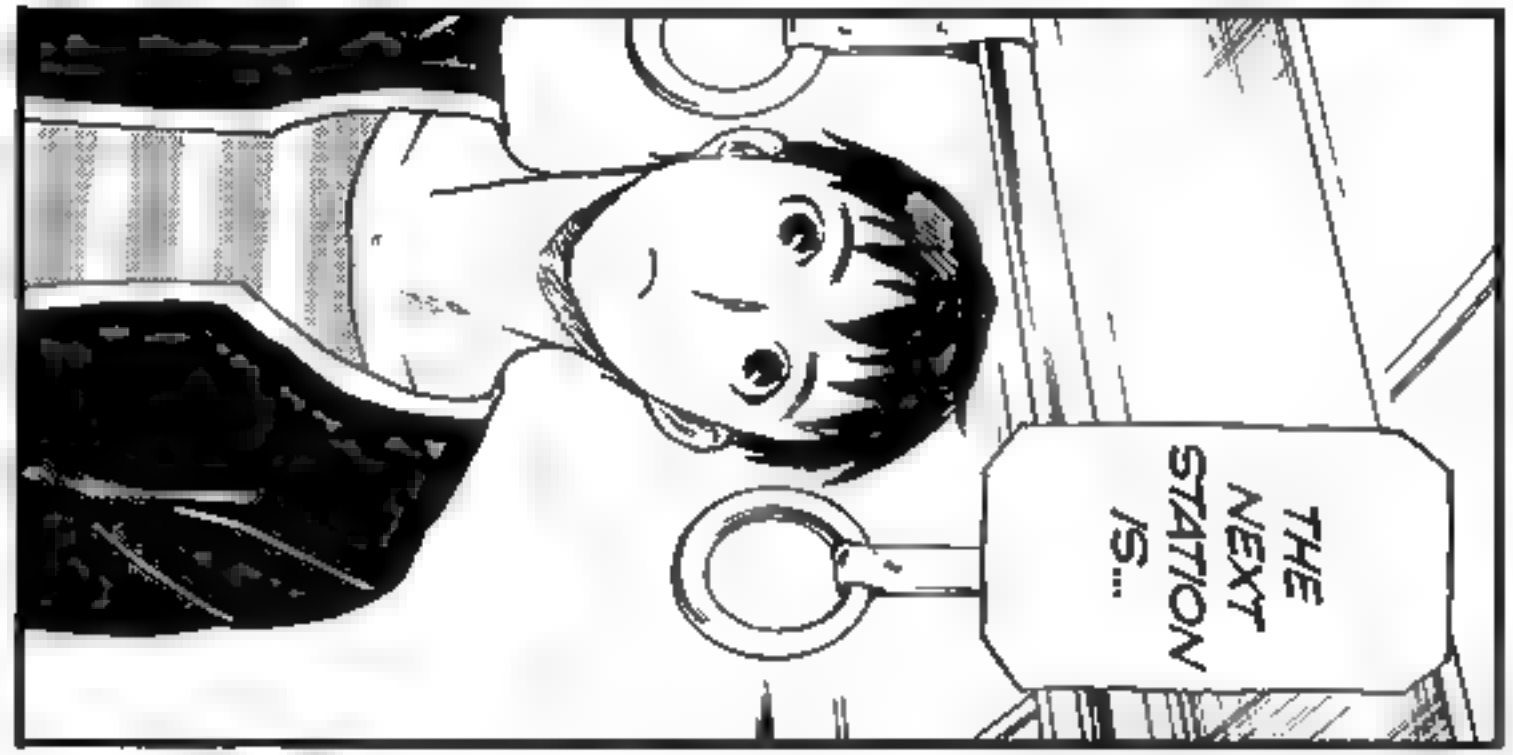
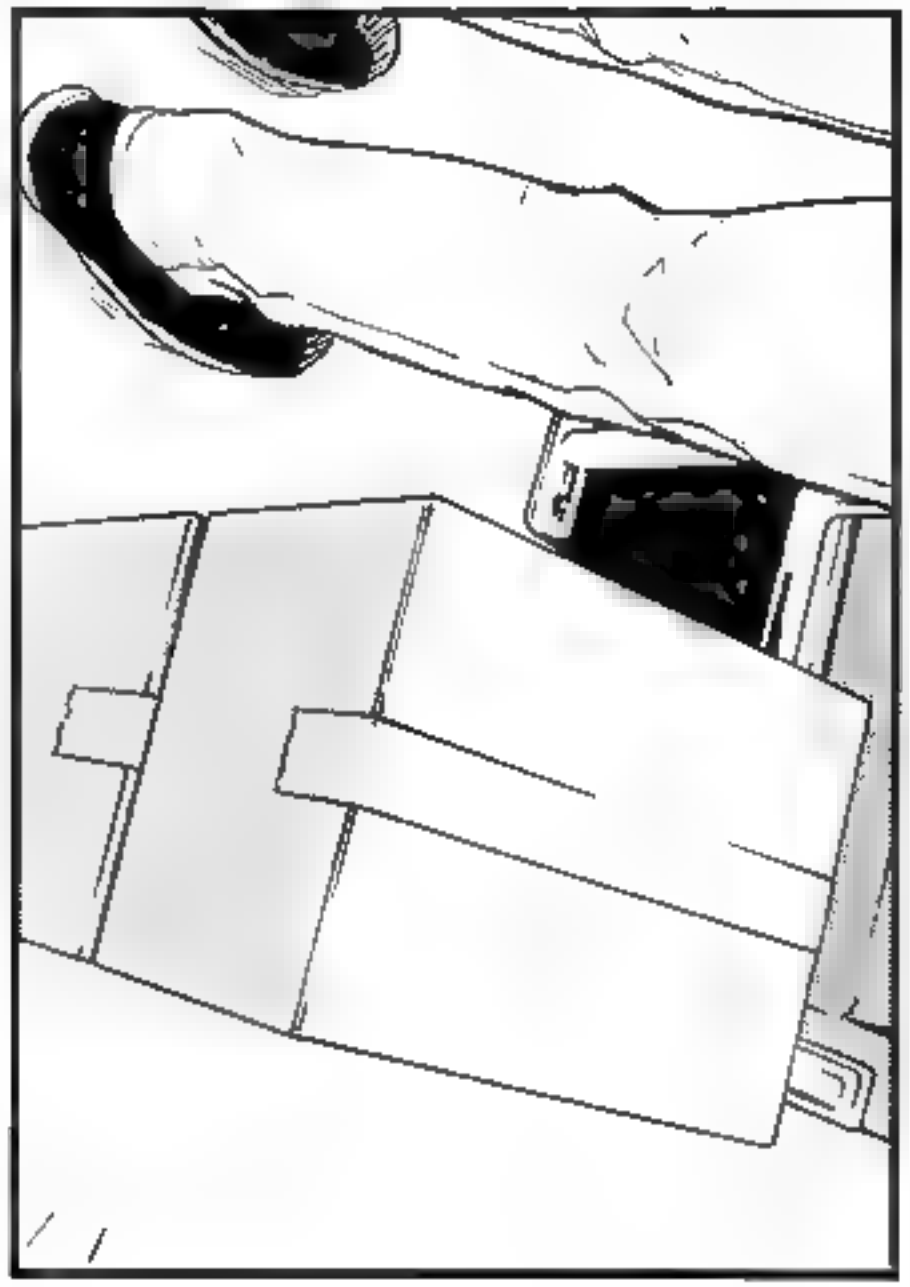
AFTER ERASING EVERY LAST TRACE OF THE CASE FROM KYOKO-SAN'S ROOM, YAKUSUKE'S NEXT DESTINATION IS...







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VOLUME 2 WILL HIT THE SHELVES ON APRIL 15TH!

CASE: KAKUSHIDATE YAKUSUKE 6

HOW WILL THIS CASE END?!

IT ALL STARTED FROM ONE BOOK!

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The Memorandum of Kyoko Okitegami

AUTHOR: NisiOisiN
ART: Asami You
CHARACTER DESIGN: VOFAN

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...WELL, THIS IS A SURPRISE!

I WAS MORE SURPRISED BY HOW WELL YOU CARRIED OUT YOUR "CRIME."
I ALWAYS THOUGHT IT WAS STRANGE THAT EVERYONE WOULD ALWAYS SUSPECT AND DOUBT YOU, BUT NOW THAT I HEAR ABOUT THIS...
OH, COME ON, DON'T EVEN JOKE ABOUT THAT!

YEAH, I JUST ACTED ACCORDING TO MY OWN JUDGMENT. I'M REALLY SORRY TO DO THIS TO YOU, KONDOU-SAN.
OH NO, THAT'S NOT WHAT I'M SURPRISED ABOUT.

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LIKE RESCUING KYOKO WHILE SHE WAS NAKED...

THERE ARE ALSO SOME CRIMINAL ACTS THAT I DIDN'T MENTION...

HAHA, SORRY!

THIS WAS IMPOSSIBLE FROM THE START, CONSIDERING THAT KYOKO-SAN ONLY EVER HAS "TODAY."

ANYWAY... I WOULD LIKE US ALL TO FORGET THAT THIS CASE REQUEST EVER HAPPENED.

WE WILL RESCIND THIS RE-QUEST.

YES,

SOME WOULD JUST PREFER TO LEAVE THE CASE OF HIS DEATH AS A SUICIDE AND NOT PRESS ANY FURTHER.

...AND BY SOME, I MEAN HIS FAMILY.

HUH?

THERE HAVE BEEN DEVELOPMENTS ON THE CASE FROM OUR SIDE AS WEL...

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I WONDER IF HE HAD BAD RELATIONS WITH THEM?

WHO KNOWS...

SO HIS FAMILY...

THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT THERE WILL BE HEAVY COMPLAINTS ABOUT SELLING THE BOOK.

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OH!

A PERSON WHO WAS LOVED BY PASSIONATE FANS LIKE KYOKO-SAN...

"HAS OKITEGAMI-SAN EVER LIVED "OVERSEAS IN THE PAST?"

DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN I ASKED ABOUT HER AFTER THE CASE WITH SATOI-SENSEI?

KONDOU-SAN, I BELIEVE YOU SAID THIS BEFORE...

WHAT EXACTLY DID YOU MEAN BY THAT...?

WELL, YOU KNOW,

IT'S BECAUSE OKITEGAMI-SAN DECIDED TO BECOME A DETECTIVE AFTER SHE READ SUNAGA-SENSEI'S WORKS.

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IN FACT, THE REASON I MET HER IN THE FIRST PLACE

WAS BECAUSE I WAS AN ACQUAINTANCE OF SUNAGA-SENSEI'S.

SHE'S HELPED ME A LOT OUT ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS.

YOU COULD EVEN SAY THAT SHE IS THE REASON I AM WHO I AM TODAY.

SO YOU BELIEVE THAT SHE AND KYOKO-SAN ARE THE SAME PERSON?

I WOULD LIKE TO CONFIRM IF IT'S TRUE. THAT WAS PART OF MY REASON FOR REQUESTING OKITE-GAMI-SAN FOR THIS CASE.

THAT WOMAN WAS ALSO A BIG FAN OF SUNAGA-SENSEI.

SHE WAS NEVER THE TYPE OF PERSON TO PUSH HERSELF TO THE BRINK OF EXHAUSTION AND PASS OUT.

AND SHE NEVER HAD THIS SPECIAL TRAIT OF RESETTING HER MEMORY AT ALL.

I'M EVEN MORE CONFUSED THAN BEFORE.

I THOUGHT IT WAS STRANGE THAT HE WAS SO HUNG UP ON KYOKO-SAN, BUT NOW I SEE WHAT HE WAS AIMING FOR...

BUT,

EITHER WAY,

I DON'T INTEND ON DIGGING INTO HER PAST.

SORRY ABOUT THAT, YAKUSHIKE.

ITO-N

SHE DEFINITELY NEEDS A SUBORDINATE.

YOU'LL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT HER, RIGHT?

IF IT WEREN'T FOR YOU, I MIGHT HAVE DONE SOMETHING THAT I COULDN'T TAKE BACK.

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I'VE DONE SOMETHING THAT I CAN'T TAKE BACK EITHER. I'VE BETRAYED HER.

NO...

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ON TOP OF THAT, SHE'LL HAVE FORGOTTEN HER MISTAKE!

SHE SERIOUSLY MIGHT HAVE DIED!

BUT, AT THAT TIME, IF KYOKO-SAN STAYED IN THAT COLD SHOWER ANY LONGER,

SO SHE'D NEVER BE ABLE TO LEARN HER LESSON!

BUT...

CAN I JUST LEAVE IT UP TO ANYONE?

ANY-ONE...

IF SOMEONE HADN'T SAVED HER...

"THE COB OF THE CORN?"

WOULD YOU HAPPEN TO KNOW WHEN WAS THE PLANNED RELEASE DATE FOR "THE COB OF THE CORN?"

...OH, KONDOU-SAN,

SHOULD HAVE BEEN AROUND FEBRUARY.

HOW-EVER...

IT WAS SET FOR SOMETIME RIGHT BEFORE SPRING OF NEXT YEAR.

AH, I'M TALKING ABOUT SUNAGA-SENSEI'S MANUSCRIPT.

DID OKITEGAMI-SAN MAKE UP THAT TITLE?

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I DON'T REALLY WANT TO SAY THIS, BUT...

THE TIMING OF HIS SUICIDE WAS JUST TOO PERFECT.

THERE ARE THOSE WONDERING HOW MUCH ADVANCE PAYMENT THEY'LL RECEIVE NOW THAT SUNAGA-SENSEI HAS PASSED AWAY

...AND BY "THOSE," I MEAN HIS FAMILY. THEY INTEND TO COLLECT ON THIS.

HIS "FAMILY'S INTENTIONS" AGAIN...

AND HE PASSED AWAY LEAVING NOTHING UN-FINISHED.

HE HAD JUST FINISHED UP MANY OF HIS MULTI-PIECE SERIES, "THE COB OF THE CORN" WAS A STAND-ALONE PIECE,

EVERYTHING JUST SEEMS TO POINT TOWARD THAT CONCLU-SION.

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AS LONG AS NO EVIDENCE APPEARS TO SUPPORT THE CLAIM THAT HIS DEATH WAS NOT A SUICIDE...

AND SINCE I WASN'T HIS SUPERVISOR, I DON'T HAVE ANY AUTHORITY TO CUT IN OR SAY ANYTHING.

THAT'S WHY I THINK THE CASE WILL BE SETTLED WITH THAT AS THE CONCLUSION.

I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT HIS DEATH WAS REALLY NOT A SUICIDE.

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HELLO, IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU. MY NAME IS OKITEGAMI KYOKO.

NOW THEN,

ALLOW ME TO SHOW YOU THE PROOF.

EH?!

KYOKO-SAN...?

WAIT, HOW DID YOU GET INTO THIS BUILDING ANYWAY?!

THIS IS A COPY OF THE MANU-SCRIPT...

I AM A DETECTIVE, YOU KNOW.

I RECEIVED THIS FROM THE SUPER-VISOR OF SUNAGA-SENSEI'S NOVEL.

I READ IT THROUGH.

IT WAS A WONDERFUL PIECE OF WRITING.

FOR NOW,

LET US REFER TO IT AS "HOME SWEET CORN."

THAT SHALL BE ITS TITLE.

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Y—

YES, THAT WOULD BE ME!

SO,

WHICH ONE OF YOU IS KONDOU-SAN?

"TODAY'S" KYOKO-SAN CAME WITH BOTH A DIFFERENT OPINION AND A DIFFERENT TITLE NAME ...

I HEARD THAT YOU WERE HELPING ME WITH MY WORK.

THE SUPERVISOR TOLD ME.

THE SUPER-VISOR TALKS A LITTLE TOO MUCH!

I CAN'T EVEN LOOK AT HER BECAUSE I FEEL SO MUCH GUILT.

OH!

SO THAT WOULD MAKE YOU KAKUSHIDATE YAKUSUKE-SAN.

AH, YES...

N-NOT AT ALL, I DON'T THINK I WAS OF MUCH HELP...

INDEED...

I BELIEVE YOU WERE ACTUALLY TRYING TO GET IN MY WAY.

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THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

BECAUSE OF YOUR MEDDLING,

THE TRUTH BECAME MUCH EASIER TO DISCERN.

WHAT DOES...

BEFORE WE GET TO THAT,

HOW DID YOU KNOW THAT WE HAD MADE THE JOB REQLEST?

THAT MEAN...?

YOUR MEMORY SHOULD HAVE BEEN RESET...

YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE LEFT SUCH AN IMPORTANT ARTICLE BEHIND,

KAKUSHI-DATE-SAN.

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IT MUST'VE BEEN AT THAT TIME!

IT WAS IN THE BATHROOM.

I WOKE UP, WENT TO SHOWER, AND FOUND IT LYING THERE.

THE LIST OF SUNAGA-SENSEI'S WORKS!

THERE'S NO WAY YOU COULD PULL OFF A CRIME!

YAKUSUKE, I TAKE IT ALL BACK.

N—

NO WAY! WHERE WAS IT?!

YES, I AM AWARE.

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HE WAS JUST WORRIED FOR YOUR HEALTH.

OKITEGAMI-SAN, I HOPE YOU CAN UNDER-STAND WHY HE DID IT.

B-BUT, BECAUSE OF THAT, YOU SAY THAT THE TRUTH IS EASIER TO SEE NOW...?

I THANK YOU FOR STOPPING ME.

IT APPEARS I EXTENDED MYSELF PRETTY FAR.

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BUT HOW...?

JUST WITH THE LIST?

APPLY THE PRINCIPLE OF OCCAM'S RAZOR.

THERE WAS NO NEED TO READ EVERY BOOK FROM THE START.

THE MOST IMPORTANT CLUE IS RIGHT HERE.

THE COLUMN LISTING THE PUBLICATION DATE...?

I WAS ABLE TO SOLVE THE CASE BY JUST SIMPLY LOOKING AT THIS LIST.

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THINK OF IT THIS WAY...

IF THERE WAS A TENDENCY FOR ALL THE RELEASE DATES FOR AN AUTHOR'S BOOKS TO BE IN THE MONTH OF JANUARY,

WOULDN'T YOU AGREE THAT THE AUTHOR HAD A STRONG FIXATION ON THAT POINT?

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NOPE.

YOU DON'T GET IT?

BUT SUNAGA-SENSEI DIDN'T HAVE A PUBLICATION PATTERN LIKE THAT.

HMM, WELL, MAYBE...

WAIT, BUT...

SO THIS SERIES IS...

Courting
Comfort Goods Detective
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Nameless Mysteries
Assistant Inspector for the Statue of Limitations
Expertise on Locked Rooms
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The Idiom Detective
6th Grade, Class 6
A Detective's Memoirs on Minor Festivities
Judge Valley
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Seven Rooted Red
etc...

BUT WHAT IF YOU ORGANIZE THE BOOKS DIFFERENTLY?

TRY THINKING ABOUT THE BOOKS IN GROUPS BY SERIES.

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OKITEGAMI-SAN, I REALLY HAVE TO GET GOING TO MY NEXT MEETING...

I JUST ADORE SEEING MEN HARD AT WORK!

MY APOLO-GIES!

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IN OTHER WORDS, WE WANT TO LOOK AT THE SIX TITLES THAT ARE NOT A PART OF A SERIES.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING TO DO IS ACTUALLY SIFT OUT ALL THE TITLES THAT ARE PARTS OF SERIES, AND THEN LOOK AT THE WORKS LEFT OVER.

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ALL OF THEM...

WHAT...

WERE RELEASED IN FEBRUARY!

Murder at the Bottom of the River: 2/9

Wild Murder: 2/3

Human Sacrifice: 2/20

The Flutter Kick Club: 2/22

The Life that Angels Descend On: 2/18

Green Boy: 2/3

HOW IS SOMEONE SUPPOSED TO EVEN NOTICE THAT?!

HE TOOK 45 YEARS TO SET UP THIS DYNAMIC RIDDLE THAT WAS SLIPPED WITHIN THE LOAD OF 99 BOOKS.

I BELIEVE THAT THE PLANNED RELEASE DATE FOR THIS NEW NOVEL WAS TO BE IN FEBRUARY OF NEXT YEAR.

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ACCORDING TO MY THEORY,

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What is the release date for The Cab of the Cars?

"YESTERDAY'S" KYOKO-SAN WAS ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT THAT POINT...

Y-YES, IT WAS.

BUT BECAUSE THERE WAS TOO MUCH INFORMATION TO ABSORB, SHE COULDN'T VERIFY HER HYPOTHESIS.

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LUCKILY, I HAVE ALREADY READ AND REMEMBER HALF OF THE NON-SERIES BOOKS.

I JUST PURCHASED THE OTHER HALF AND READ THEM.

"TODAY'S" KYOKO-SAN DOESN'T HAVE THAT BURDEN OF KNOWLEDGE,

AND AFTER READING THE MANUSCRIPT JUST A LITTLE WHILE AGO, I CAME TO A CONCLUSION.

SO SHE IS ABLE TO FOCUS ALL HER ATTENTION ON ONE THEORY.

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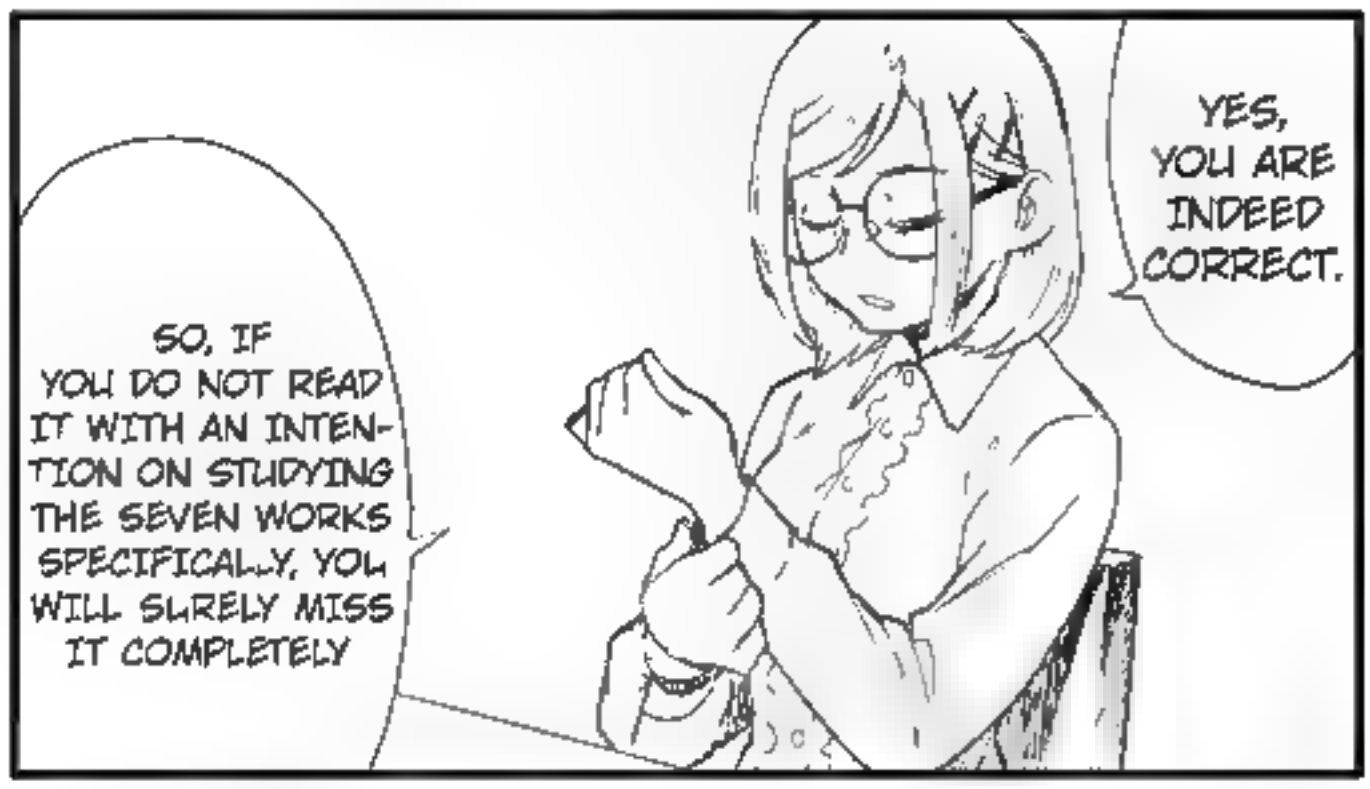
SO, IF YOU DO NOT READ IT WITH AN INTENTION ON STUDYING THE SEVEN WORKS SPECIFICALLY, YOU WILL SURELY MISS IT COMPLETELY
YES, YOU ARE INDEED CORRECT.

YUP, BUT THE ONLY THING REVEALED WAS THAT HER SURNAME INCLUDED THE LETTER "M."

...THERE WAS A CHARACTER LIKE THAT IN THERE?

THE MAIN CHARACTER'S YOUNGER SISTER HAS A CLASSMATE DUBBED AS "A CERTAIN YOUNG GIRL." THIS IS HER FIRST APPEARANCE.

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THE FIRST BOOK WAS "MURDER AT THE BOTTOM OF THE RIVER."

THE SUPPORTING CHARACTER.

THEN THE SECOND BOOK "HUMAN SACRIFICE" WAS PUBLISHED SEVEN YEARS LATER.

IN THAT ONE, THERE WAS A MURDER WITNESS NAMED "MOMOTA."

NINE YEARS LATER CAME THE THIRD BOOK, "THE LIFE THAT ANGELS DESCEND ON." THERE WAS A CHARACTER NAMED KUWATA, WHO WAS THE MAIN CHARACTER'S PEN PAL.

THE YEAR RIGHT AFTER THAT CAME THE FOURTH BOOK, "WILD MURDER." IN THAT STORY, ASAMI THE HOUSEWIFE GAVE DIRECTIONS TO THE MAIN CHARACTER.

THEN NINE YEARS LATER CAME THE FIFTH BOOK, "THE FLUTTERKICK CLUB." IN THAT STORY, THERE WAS A CHARACTER DUBBED AS "THE RECEPTIONIST LADY."

Murder at the Bottom of the River Girl
Human Sacrifice Momota
The Life That Angels Descend On Kuwata
Wild Murder Asami
The Flutterkick Club The Receptionist Lady
Green Boy Asa-chan

ANOTHER SEVEN YEARS LATER, AND WE FIND THE STORY "GREEN BOY."

IN THAT STORY, THE MAIN CHARACTER'S CHILDREN GIVE UP THEIR SEATS FOR A WOMAN AROUND THE AGE OF 40, WHOM THEY CALLED "ASA-CHAN."

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IN THIS STORY, SOMEONE COMES TO SHARE CORN WITH THE MAIN CHARACTER'S HOUSEHOLD.

SHE WAS DUBBED "THE OLD LADY FROM THE FARM."

AND NOW,

HERE WE ARE TWELVE YEARS LATER WITH HIS NEWEST WORK, "HOME SWEET CORN."

HER AGE, I MEAN.

IT ALL FITS PERFECTLY WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT IT.

SO YOU'RE SUGGESTING THAT THESE SEVEN PEOPLE ARE THE SAME PERSON?

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AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GIRL...

GREW INTO A MATURE WOMAN EIGHT YEARS LATER.

AND THEN 9 OR 10 YEARS LATER, PASSED INTO HER THIRTIES.

ANOTHER 9 YEARS BROUGHT HER INTO HER FORTIES.

7 MORE YEARS AND SHE'D BE AROUND 50.

AND FINALLY, 12 YEARS LATER SHE REAPPEARS AS AN OLD WOMAN IN HER SIXTIES.

I BELIEVE SHE HAD GOTTEN MARRIED.

THERE WERE TWO SURNAMES, "MOMOTA" AND "KUWATA," WEREN'T THERE...

BUT ISN'T THAT IMPOS-SIBLE?

MOMOTA ASAMI-SAN IS.

THAT IS WHO

I'M SURE THAT SHE HAS HAD HER FAIR SHARE OF TROUBLES AS A SIDE CHARAC-TER OF THE STORY.

SHE MADE A BEST FRIEND, GOT MARRIED, STARTED WORKING, TOOK CARE OF A HOUSEHOLD, AND EVEN RAISED CHILDREN.

THROUGH THE 45 YEARS OF SUNAGA-SENSEI'S WORKS, SHE HAS BEEN LIVING HER LIFE.

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IN THAT CASE, NO ONE KNOWS WHO MOMOTA ASAMI-SAN IS!

THAT'S INSANE!

SHE'S BASICALLY LIVED THROUGH CAMEOS!

WHEN SUNAGA-SENSEI WAS 17 YEARS OLD, THERE WAS A GIRL OF THE SAME AGE WHO LIVED IN THE SAME NEIGHBORHOOD.

THAT GIRL WAS MOMOTA ASAMI-SAN.

THEREFORE, IT IS MY JOB TO FIND OUT.

FROM HEREON I MUST RESUME MY NORMAL DUTIES AS A DETECTIVE FOR THE REAL WORLD.

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BUT SHE HAD COMMITTED SUICIDE.

IT SEEMS THAT THEY HAD SWORN TO BE TOGETHER IN THE FUTURE,

NONE OF THE DEATHS IN SUNAGA-SENSEI'S WORKS HAVE EVER BEEN SUICIDES.

PERHAPS THIS IS THE REASON WHY...?

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THEN... DID HE CHOOSE FEBRUARY BECAUSE THAT WAS THE MONTH SHE PASSED AWAY...?

NO.

THAT WAS THE MONTH OF HER BIRTH-DAY.

HE MAY HAVE BECOME A WRITER FOR MOMOTA-SAN'S SAKE, LETTING HER LIVE THROUGH HIS STORIES...

THOUGH I FEEL THAT WOULD CAUSE HIM TO APPEAR A BIT OVER-BEARING.

...BUT IT'S REALLY ONLY NATURAL TO DEDUCE THAT TO BE ONE OF HIS REASONS.

HE KEPT MOMOTA ASAMI AS A SIDE CHAR-ACTER, WHERE HE COULD GIVE HER A NATURAL, HAPPY LIFE.

IN A STORYBOOK WORLD WHERE ANY KIND OF SITUATION CAN HAPPEN.

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AND SO HER OPINION CHANGED.

KYOKO-SAN PROBABLY UNDERSTOOD THAT TOO,

BUT HONESTLY, IT DIDN'T SEEM LIKE IT WAS WORTH TRADING HIS LIFE OVER

HE SHOWED HER AS AN ORDINARY PERSON DOING ORDINARY THINGS, JUST AS IT SHOULD BE.

IT'S A TRULY WONDERFUL FEAT.

THEY WEREN'T PALATE-CLEANSERS AT ALL.

THESE NON-SERIES BOOKS MAY HAVE ORIGINALLY BEEN WRITTEN FOR HIMSELF, AND HIMSELF ALONE.

IN FACT, FROM SUNAGA-SENSEI'S POINT OF VIEW,

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HE BURIED HIS TREASURE DEEP WITHIN HIMSELF.

AWAY FROM THE EYES OF OTHERS, WITHOUT TELLING A SOUL.

...OKAY THEN, OKITEGAMI-SAN,

LET'S GO BACK TO THE ORIGINAL QUESTION...

UNFORTUNATELY, THE STORIES ASIDE FROM THE DEBUT NOVEL WERE NEITHER POPULAR NOR DID THEY SELL WELL.

BUT WITH THIS SERIES, I SUPPOSE SUNAGASENSEI WAS QUITE FINE WITH THAT.

HM?

YOU DON'T GET IT?

WHY DOES ALL THIS LEAD TO THE IDEA THAT SUNAGASENSEI DID NOT COMMIT SUICIDE?

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WHEN WRITING A STORY OF A PERSON'S LIFE, THEN YOU CANNOT FORGET ABOUT THE LIFE'S END, NOW CAN YOU? THE LIFE WOULDN'T BE WHOLE WITH-OUT IT.

IN THIS STORY, THE OLD WOMAN IS STILL VERY HEALTHY, ACTIVE, AND IN GREAT SPIRITS.

AND BECAUSE HE HAS LIVED 45 YEARS FACING LIFE HEAD-ON, IT IS ABSOLUTELY INCONCEIVABLE...

BECAUSE HE STILL HAD YET TO WRITE IN A PEACEFUL DEATH SCENE FOR MOMOTA ASAMI'S ORDINARY LIFE,

TO BELIEVE THAT SUNAGA-SENSEI WOULD INTEN-TIONALLY CUT HIS OWN LIFE SHORT.

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WOULD YOU MIND WALKING ME BACK TO MY OFFICE?

KAKUSHI-DATE-SAN,

NO—

NOT AT ALL!

NOW THEN...

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SHALL WE HAVE A LITTLE TALK BETWEEN MATURE ADULTS?

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ANYTHING I'D LIKE TO SAY...

WELL, BEFORE THAT, THERE'S ACTUALLY SOMETHING I'D LIKE TO ASK...

DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING YOU'D LIKE TO SAY TO ME?

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BUT WHY...

YOU MADE ME LOOK REALLY DUMB IN FRONT OF KONDOU-SAN!

IT WAS A FRONT TO FOOL KONDOU-SAN.

INDEED, THAT WAS A LIE.

YOU SAID THAT YOU FOUND THE BOOK LIST LYING ON THE FLOOR OF THE BATHROOM.

BUT THAT WAS A LIE, WASN'T IT?

OF COURSE YOU WOULDN'T WANT HIM TO KNOW, RIGHT?

ABOUT HOW YOU TOOK CARE OF ME AND MY NAKED BODY.

SO I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE MEAN TO EMBARRASS YOU IN FRONT OF HIM.

IT LOOKED LIKE HE WAS A VERY CLOSE FRIEND TO YOU,

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IT WAS WHILE YOU WERE CARRYING ME PRINCESS-STYLE IN THE BATHROOM.

LITERALLY RIGHT AFTER I FOUND YOU!

WAAH!

WH—

WHEN DID YOU WAKE UP?

HMM...

SHE KNOWS!

SHE REMEMBERS!

BUT AFTER YOU FALL ASLEEP, YOUR MEMORY...

...HM?

I TYPICALLY RECOVER FROM MENTAL FATIGUE AFTER JUST A FEW HOURS OF SLEEP.

IT'S BECAUSE I'M A SHORT SLEEPER.

SO I DECIDED TO PRETEND TO BE ASLEEP.

WHEN I REGAINED CONSCIOUSNESS, I WAS IN A STATE OF UTTER CONFUSION,

YES, THAT'S RIGHT. MY MEMORY WAS RESET.

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AFTER THAT, WHILE YOU WERE OUT CLEANING UP THE TOWELS,

I WENT TO THE PARLOR AND STOLE THE BOOKLIST THAT WAS IN THE BOX.

I HAVE TO FIND SOMETHING TO ERASE THOSE MEMOS.

AS SOON AS YOU LEFT THE BEDROOM,

HMM

I READ THE HINT ON MY LEFT LEG, AS WELL AS THE OTHER MEMOS.

SO I SCURRIED BACK TO THE BED AND FLOPPED ON.

BUT YOU CAME BACK SOONER THAN I HAD EXPECTED.

I LOOKED AT THE LIST ALONGSIDE THE HINT AND PUT TWO AND TWO TOGETHER!

THEN, AFTER YOU LEFT,

I THOUGHT IT WAS WEIRD THAT SHE WAS IN SUCH A SLOPPY SLEEPING POSITION...

SO THAT'S WHY...

AND I TOLD YOU, DIDN'T I? IT'S ALL BECAUSE OF YOU THAT I WAS ABLE TO SOLVE THIS CASE.

BUT THERE'S JUST ONE THING...

...IF YOU ALREADY FIGURED OUT SO MUCH, THEN YOU COULD'VE JUST STOPPED ME LAST NIGHT...

I MISSED THE CHANCE TO AWAKEN, AND ANYWAY I LOVE SEEING MEN HARD AT WORK!

FOLLOW ME, PLEASE.

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THE REASON I INVITED YOU HERE...

WAS TO SILENCE YOU ON THIS MATTER.

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I CAN TRUST THAT YOU...

WILL NOT SAY A WORD ABOUT THIS STATEMENT TO ANYONE, CORRECT?

I—

I WOULD NEVER!

I DO NOT KNOW.

B-BUT, WHAT IS ALL THIS?

WHO WROTE THIS CRAZY MESSAGE?!

I WISH TO KNOW WHO IS THE "CRIMINAL" FORCING ME TO WORK AS A DETECTIVE.

BUT I WISH TO FIND OUT,

AND THAT IS WHY I AM WORKING AS A DETEC-TIVE.

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IT ALL WORKS OUT REALLY WELL.

BUT, YOU KNOW,

THEN AS SOON AS I REALIZE THAT I AM OKITEGAMI KYOKO,

THE GEARS FIT TOGETHER AND START MOVING.

THIS DAY SHALL BE OKITEGAMI KYOKO'S YOU SHALL LIVE YOUR LIFE AS A DETECTIVE

THE FIRST THING I DO IS LOOK UP AT THE CEILING.

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I GET THE FEELING THAT I CAN MAKE IT THROUGH THE DAY.

THEN, EVEN WITHOLIT MY MEMORY,

AS LONG AS I HAVE THAT NAME WITH ME,

SO, WITH THAT SAID,

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PLEASE DO NOT TELL ANYONE ABOUT THIS CASE.

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ALL RIGHT, I UNDER-STAND.

I PROMISE NOT TO TELL ANYONE.

IT'S HER USUAL BUSINESS SMILE...

I'VE WRONGED YOU IN SO MANY WAYS DURING THIS CASE.

I'VE BEEN INSINCERE AND TRAI-TOROUS...

...

KYOKO-SAN,

I HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK OF YOU, TOO.

A NEW JOB REQUEST?

THEN YOU SHOULD PROBABLY WAIT UNTIL THE NEXT DAY...

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OH, MY! I TOLD YOU THAT YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO WORRY, DIDN'T I?

ONCE TOMORROW COMES, I'LL—

BUT I

WOULD LIKE TO BE FORGIVEN BY "TODAY'S" KYOKO-SAN!

CAN YOU FIND IT IN YOUR HEART TO FORGIVE ME?!

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I WANT TO KEEP GOING, ALONG WITH KYOKO-SAN...

EVEN IF YOU FORGET,

I WILL REMEMBER!

IF I AM NOT FORGIVEN BY THE KYOKO-SAN OF TODAY,

THEN I WON'T BE ABLE TO TALK TO OR ASK FOR HELP FROM THE KYOKO-SAN OF TOMORROW, AND I DON'T WANT THAT TO HAPPEN!

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STRANGELY ENOUGH,

I WASN'T REALLY ALL THAT SCARED...

ACTUALLY I WAS VERY AT EASE.

OR WHEN YOU PUT ME ON THE BED, OR EVEN WHEN YOU WERE WIPING THE MEMOS OFF OF ME.

WHEN I REGAINED CONSCIOUS-NESS WHILE YOU WERE HOLDING ME.

MY BODY DEFINITELY REMEMBERS WHAT I HAVE EXPERIENCED.

THE ME FROM YESTERDAY AND THE ME OF TODAY ARE CERTAINLY NOT THE SAME PEOPLE.

SO THE REASON WHY I FELT AT EASE, AND WHY I LEFT MY DEFENSELESS BODY IN YOUR CARE,

WAS MOST LIKELY BECAUSE OF ALL THE KINDNESS YOU HAVE SHOWN ME UP UNTIL NOW.

I KNOW THAT YOU DID IT ALL FOR MY SAKE, JUST LIKE YOU MUST HAVE DONE BEFORE.

MY MEMORY RESETS AFTER ONE DAY, BUT THE CONDITION AFFECTS ONLY MY BRAIN.

MY BODY LEAVES MY HEART AND MIND BEHIND AND CONTINUES AHEAD FARTHER AND FARTHER...

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I FORGIVE YOU.

SO PLEASE, FEEL FREE TO ASK ME FOR HELP ANY TIME.

...ARE WE OKAY NOW?

...YES!

THANK YOU SO MUCH!

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THE DAILY FORGOTTEN RELATIONSHIP THAT I'VE BEEN BUILDING WITH KYOKO-SAN

WAS NOT IN VAIN AT ALL.

THERE WAS VALUE IN IT ALL!

NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I HAD TO START OVER FROM SQUARE ONE,

NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I WAS FORGOT-TEN,

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HUH?

OH, OKAY!

THEN LET'S SHAKE ON IT! TO OUR REC-ONCILIATION!

WAH!

AFTER ALL,

SQUEEZE!

YOU DIDN'T THINK YOU COULD HAVE MY FORGIVENESS FOR FREE, DID YOU?

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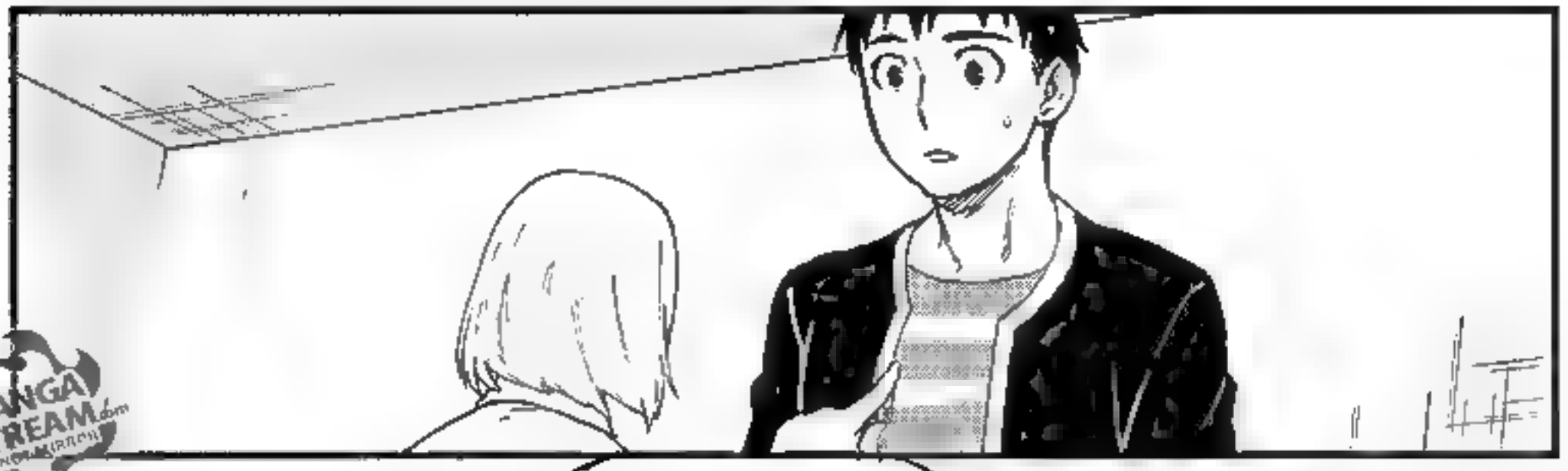
WH...

WHAT ARE YOU DOING? KYOKO-SAN?

R-RIGHT! I'LL DO WHATEVER YOU ASK.

I WISH TO ATONE HOWEVER POSSIBLE.

OH, DON'T BE SILLY, KAKUSHI-DATE-SAN.



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THE RESULTS OF KONDOU-SAN'S WORK CAME TO RUITION.

THE NOVEL WAS PUBLISHED AND RELEASED AS ORIGINALLY PLANNED, IN FEBRUARY OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR!

THE MASTER OF MYSTERIES
SUNAGA HIRUBE
HIS FINAL WORK!

AND THE OFFICIAL TITLE WAS...

HMM, SUNAGA HIRUBE'S POSTHUMOUS MANUSCRIPT WAS ACTUALLY RELEASED...

A WHILE LATER...

堂書店

SIGN: BOOKSTORE

THIS IS QUITE THE RIVETING TITLE NAME!

HM! WOW!

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A REWARD FOR KYOKO-SAN'S FOUR ALL-NIGHTERS FILLED WITH HARD WORK.

"THE COB OF THE CORN."

須永昼兵衛

とうもろこし!?

NEXT ISSUE, WE ENTER A SHORT MYSTERY! WHAT KIND OF CASE COULD IT BE?!

TO BE CONTINUED...

第2巻 出ました――！

アシスタントの皆様、読者の皆様のおかげです。
ありがとうございます…！

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The Memorandum of Kyoko Okitegami

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隠館厄介くんは

覚えていたら

お任せください

いつも疑いをかけられてグレたりしなかったのですか？

グレるなんてそんな勇気僕にはありませんよ

大丈夫!!

ファッション次第で不良度UP!!
そーゆー依頼じゃありません……!!今日子さん

調査中

はーっこれが最新の電話機ですか――……

記憶がリセットされる今日子さんにとって一般的な機器も新鮮な物

驚く彼女はかわいらしい…

4K
驚きの美しさ!!
3Dをプリンター!?
羽なし扇風機!?
はれ
現場が家電量販店だと捜査にならない
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